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Births.

COHEN.—On the 6th of December, 1934, at Bromley-road, Catford, S.E., to Lily (née Borland), wife of Maurice Cohen, a son.

FOX.—On the 4th of December, at 10, Southlands-avenue, King-lane, Leeds, to Mr. and Mrs. Percy Fox (Tilly Woolf), a darling daughter, Anita Patricia. Australian and American papers please copy.

GREEN.—On Sunday, the 9th of December, at 121, Windsor-road, Forest Gate, to Pearl (née Marcus), wife of Bernard Green, a son.

HUGLIN.—On the 5th of December, at Hackings Nursing Home, Ullet-road, Liverpool, to Mr. and Mrs. J. Huglin (Nancy Rosen), a son.

PULMAN.—On Tuesday, the 4th of December, to Mr. and Mrs. Percy Pulman (née Gruniss), a darling daughter (Helen Sylvia).—102, Burdett-road, Bow, E.3.

SCHIFF.—On Monday, the 10th of December, at the Downs Nursing Home, Clapton, E.5, to Mr. and Mrs. S. A. (Jimmie) Schiff, a daughter.—92, Darenth road, N.16.

VAN GELDEREN.—On Monday, the 10th of December, 1934, at the South Hill Nursing Home, 19, Carpenter-road, Edgbaston, Birmingham, to Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Van Gelderen (Hannah Rosenthal), 31, Sandgate-road, Shirley, Birmingham, a daughter (Diana Shirley).

WHITESON.—On the 12th of December, 1934, at 23, Blackstone-road, N.W.2, to Stella, wife of Joseph H. Whiteson, twin son and daughter.

Births.—(*Continued*)

ZISSMAN.—On Tuesday, the 11th of December, 1934, at Fairhaven Nursing Home, Moseley, Birmingham, to Mr. and Mrs. D. Zissman (Hannah Rose), of 39, Pereira-road, Harborne, Birmingham, a darling son.

Barmitzvah.

APFEL.—Joseph, only child of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Apfel, of 1, Clifton-gardens, Stamford Hill, will read a portion of the Law and Haftara at the New Synagogue, Egerton-road, N.16, on Saturday, December 15th.

WEINBERG.—Leonard and Isadore, twin sons of Mrs. and the late Mr. Morris Weinberg, of 8, Approach-road, E.2, will read a portion of the Law at Green-street Synagogue, Globe-road, E.2, on Saturday, December 15th.

Engagements.

ASH : LEVEY.—Marion, daughter of Mrs. and the late Mr. Myer Ash, 22, Petworth-street, Cheetham, Manchester, to Joe second son of Mrs. and the late Mr. Lazarus Levey, 46, Mexborough-drive, Chapeltown, Leeds.

EREIRA : SCHWARTZ.—Raie, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Ereira, 100, Fleetwood-road, Dollis Hill, to Isaac (Ivan), eldest son of the Rev. J. and Mrs. Schwartz, 120, Bethune-road, N.16.

FABER : KAYE (Koschefsky).—Bella, youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. Faber, 46, Greenwood-road, Dalston, E.8, to Harry, third son of Mr. and Mrs. I. Koschefsky, 113, Redmans-road, E.1.

FISH : DANTZIC.—Bertha (Becky), only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harris Fish, 58, Tully-street, Higher Broughton, Salford, to Nathan (Nat), second son of Mr. and Mrs. Harris Dantzic, 12, George-street, Prestwich.

FREILICH : CAPLAN.—Freda, elder daughter of Mr. and Mrs. S. Freilich, of 21, Craven-walk, N.16, to Gershon Caplan, of 90, Bethune-road, third son of Mr. and Mrs. S. Caplan, of Russia.

IMBER : AARONSON.—The engagement is announced of Esmé, youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Imber, 39, Horton-road, Hackney, to Dov Ber (Bernard) Aaronson, of Romemah, Jerusalem, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel W. Aaronson, 56, Burma-road, London, and Haifa (P.O.B. 216).

JACKSON : OSER.—Doris, elder daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Jackson, 8, Elford-place, Leeds, to Solly, second son of Mrs. and the late Mr. D. Oser, 5, Diadem-court, London.

LEVITT : COHL.—Hetty, youngest daughter of Mr. H. Levitt and the late Mrs. R. Levitt, of 348, Essex-road, Islington, to Mark, eldest son of Mrs. M. Cohl and the late Mr. M. Cohl, of 647, Green-lanes, Harringay.

POU : ORNHOUSE.—Harriet, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. S. Pou, 81, Green-street, Forest Gate, to Henry, eldest son of Mrs. and the late Mr. Cornhouse, 70, Hedsor-flats, Shoreditch.

SAMUELS : EPSTEIN.—Sally, youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Samuels, 38, Sandringham-road, E.8, to Sidney, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. Epstein, 275, Commercial-road, E.1.

SENEL : SILVERMAN.—Anne, only daughter of Mrs. E. Fox and the late Mr. A. Senel, 63, Lambeth-walk, S.E., to Joseph, only son of Mrs. Silverman and the late Mr. M. Silverman, 21, Dean-street, E.1. American papers please copy.

Engagements.—(*Continued.*)

SHENOFSKY : LESINSKY.—Hetty, second daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Shenofsky, 73, Crown-street, Liverpool, to Michael, fourth son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Lesinsky, of Rathmines, Dublin; nephew of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Bloomberg, 24, Newstead-road, Liverpool. "At Home" December 16th, from 4 to 8 p.m., at 73, Crown-street, Liverpool.

SHINEBAUM : KARMEL.—The engagement is announced of Hetty, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. Shinebaum, of 73, Gore-road, Hackney, and grandchild of Mr. Herschel Shinebaum, of Palestine, to Joseph, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. A. Karmel, of 289, Gray's Inn-road, King's Cross.

SIGALOFF : ZIMBLER.—Pearl, eldest daughter of Mrs. and the late Samuel Sigaloff, of 62, Greenfield-street, E.1, to Eddie (Issy), only son of Mr. and Mrs. L. Zimbler, 1, Adler-street, E.1.

SIMONS : RAINES.—Nellie, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. I. Simons, of 25, Northwold-road, N.16, to Nat, only son of Mr. and Mrs. H. Raines, of 6, Newark-street, E.1.

SUGARMAN : SADOVSKY.—Alf., second son of Mrs. Bessie and the late Abraham Sugarman, of Brighton, to Annie, second daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. Sadovsky, of 19, Newick-road, Lower Clapton. American papers please copy.

Forthcoming Marriages.

JUNGHANNS : HARRIS.—On Wednesday, the 19th of December, at the West London Synagogue, Upper Berkeley-street, W.1, at 2 p.m., Gladys Ruth, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Junghanns, of 2, Gainsborough-gardens, Golders Green, to Joseph Henry, elder son of Mr. and Mrs. John Harris, of 4, Gloucester-gardens, Ilford.

MINSKI : BARNETT.—On the 23rd of December, 1934, at the East London Synagogue, at 3.15 p.m., Rai, elder daughter of Abraham and the late Mary Minski, 22, Penhill-road, Cardiff, to Cyril Phillip, eldest son of Isaac and the late Ellen Barnett, Bargoed. No festivities.

Silver Weddings.

CAPLIN : SCLARE.—On the 13th of December, 1909, at the Great Synagogue, Bethnal Green, Abraham (Mick) Caplin to Jessie Sclare.—22, Alvington-crescent, E.8.

KOSKY : SENK.—On the 12th of December, 1909, at the Haymarket Synagogue, by the late Revs. H. Davids and G. Friedlander, Harry Kosky to Jennie Senk. "At Home" Sunday, December 16th, at 8.30 p.m., at 10, Manstone-road, N.W.2. Relatives and friends kindly accept this, the only intimation.

SMITH : GOODMAN.—On the 19th of December, 1909, in London, Bernard Smith to Peggy Goodman.—74, Greencroft-gardens, Hampstead, N.W.6.

Deaths.

ALLBOOK.—On Saturday, the 8th of December, 1934, at 5, Marlborough-mansions, N.W.6, Herman Allbook, aged 69. Deeply beloved and mourned by his wife, children, son-in-law and grandchild.

BEN NATHAN.—On Sunday, the 10th of December, 1934—Tebeth 3rd, 5695, at 7, Montefiore College, Ramsgate, after a short illness, Simmy, third son of Mr. and Mrs. Ben Nathan. Deeply mourned by his beloved parents and grief-stricken brothers Josh, Jack and Joe. His memory will live in our hearts for ever. ת"נ"צ"ב"ה

Deaths.—(*Continued*).

BERNSTEIN.—On the 5th of December, Harry Bernstein, aged 54. Deeply mourned by his sorrowing daughter Phyllis, mother, sisters, brothers, brothers-in-law and sisters-in-law.—48, Smedley-lane, Manchester.

CASHMORE.—On the 2nd of December, 1934, Edward S. Cashmore, aged 73 dearly beloved husband of Josephine Cashmore, 62, Howitt-road, N.W.3.

CLYDE.—On the 10th of December, 1934, Alfred Clyde. Deeply mourned by his sister Ray and brother-in-law George. Beloved uncle of Jack, Bessie and Joe.—Wieselberg, 40, Warwick-street, S.W.1.

CLYDE.—On the 10th of December, 1934, Alfred Clyde. Deeply mourned by his beloved sister May Chyte.—2, Listria-park, N.16.

COHEN.—On the 30th of November, 1934—Kislev 23rd, 5695, Jack, the dearly beloved son and brother of the Rev. Z. and Mrs. Cohen and family, of 9, Bruce-road, Pollokshields, Glasgow, fatally injured in a motor-car accident in London. Deeply mourned by his sorrowing parents, brothers and sisters. May his soul rest in peace.

FRIEND.—On the 6th of December, Jane Friend, aged 60. Deeply mourned by her heartbroken husband, children, grandchildren; also by brother, sisters, relatives and friends.—Burlington-street, Manchester.

GOODMAN.—On the 8th of December, at 7, Clarke-street, Sheffield, Sarah Rachel, beloved wife of Harry Goodman, and devoted mother of Bertha (Mrs. Maurice Sill), Berral, Kopple, Tiby, Eddie and Doris. May her dear soul rest in peace.

GREENSTONE.—On the 10th of December, after a long illness, Sarah Greenstone, the beloved mother of Mark, Jack, Annie and Alice. Deeply mourned by her sorrowing children and son-in-law David Friend. May her dear soul rest in peace. Shiva at 61, Evering-road, Stoke Newington, N.16.

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Deaths.—(*Continued*)

GOULD.—On the 1st of December, Barnett Gould, 29, Nassau-place, Leeds. Deeply mourned by his wife, children, grandchildren and relatives. Peace to his soul.

HARTZ.—On Monday, the 10th of December, at 8, Queen's-block, Stoney Lane, E.1, Lion, aged 75, husband of the late Rachel Hartz. Sadly mourned by his daughter Cissy (Sophia), sons Samuel and Harry, son-in-law Mordecai, daughters-in-law Milly and Cissy, grandchildren, relatives and friends. Shiva at 1, Bearsted-house, Middlesex-street, E.1. May his dear soul rest in peace.

HARTZ.—On Monday, the 10th of December, after a painful illness, Lion, husband of the late Rachel Hartz. Sadly mourned by his son Solomon, his daughter-in-law Kitty, and his grandchildren Raie, Michael, Louis, Esther and Anita. Shiva at "Windermere," 152, Fox-lane, Palmers Green, N.13. Sadly missed by all.

HYAMS.—On the 6th of December, suddenly, at 5, St. Agnes-terrace, Victoria Park, the Rev. David Hyams, beloved father of A. H. Hyams, Alex. Hyams (of Newport), Maurice Hyams, and Mrs. H. Hart. Deeply mourned.

KARNOFSKY.—On Thursday, the 6th of December, at 119, Heywood-street, Manchester, 8, Simon Karnofsky. Deeply mourned by his sorrowing wife, sons, daughters, sons-in-law, daughters-in-law, grandchildren and great-grandchildren. May his dear soul rest in peace.

LASKY.—On Monday, the 10th of December, Marks, beloved husband of Katie Lasky, devoted father of Harry, Lily and Stella. Deeply mourned by his wife and children, daughter-in-law Marie, sisters-in-law, brothers-in-law and a large circle of friends. May his dear soul rest in peace. Shiva at 116, Amhurst-road, Hackney. American and Canadian papers please copy.

LASKY.—On Monday, the 10th of December, Marks Lasky. Deeply mourned by his heartbroken brother Joseph, sister-in-law Jennie, nephews and niece. May his dear soul rest in peace.—51, Theobalds-road, W.C.1. Shiva at 116, Amhurst-road, Hackney.

MORRIS.—On the 5th of December—4th day of חנוכה, Barnett Morris. Deeply mourned by his sorrowing wife, sons, daughter, daughters-in-law, grandchildren and sister. ת.נ.צ.ב.ה.—8, Wellclose-road, Camp road, Leeds.

REUBEN.—On the 9th of December, Samuel Reuben, beloved husband of Esther, and devoted father of Harry, Rebecca, Myer, Miriam, Janey, Bertha and Yetta. Deeply mourned by his sorrowing wife, sons, daughters, son-in-law, daughter-in-law, grandchildren, brothers, brothers-in-law, sisters-in-law, relatives and friends. American papers please copy.—12, Clarence-street, Cheetham, Manchester.

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Deaths.—(*Continued*).

RUBENSTEIN.—On Tuesday, the 11th of December, after a short illness, Rachel Rubenstein (late of 195, Amhurst-road, E.8), beloved grandmother of Mr. and Mrs. P. L. Taylor, Mr. and Mrs. S. Heitner, Mr. and Mrs. S. Rapp, Isaac and Mick. Deepest and sweetest memories will always remain in our hearts.—27, Wargrave-avenue, N.15.

POSNER.—On Sunday, the 2nd of December, at 38, Canterbury-street, Gillingham, Leah Posner. Deeply mourned by loving husband, sons, daughters, daughters-in-law, grandchildren and relatives. May her soul rest in peace.

SAMUELSON.—On the 6th of December, Julian Wylie, dearly loved brother of Rahleen (Mrs. H. H. Lorie), Lauri and Bertie. Deeply mourned by all relatives and friends. May his dear soul rest in peace.

SANDGROUND.—On the 5th of December, in a Glasgow Nursing Home, and buried at Willesden on December 7th, Lewis Sandground, in his 81st year, husband of the late Kate Sandground. Mourned by his daughters Mrs. D. Levitus, Mrs. P. Levitus of Glasgow, and Mrs. W. Gold of Wimbledon, his sons, William Sandground of Glasgow, Arthur Sandground of Finsbury Park, and Paul Leo of Chiswick, his grandchildren and great-grandchildren. South African and American papers please copy.

ZWERLING.—On Monday, the 10th of December, 1934, Max. Zwerling, מרדכי ליפא בר משה ז"ל, at Bournemouth. Deeply mourned by his wife, daughters Lena (Mrs. J. Sternberg, of 6, Wellington-street East, Manchester), Jane (Mrs. M. Mehlman, of 27, Kenneth-crescent, Willesden, N.W.2, Shiva at same address); Jessie (Mrs. I. Goldberg, of 41, East-bank, Stamford Hill, N. 16, Shiva at same address; and son Harris (of Cape Town, S.A.), grandchildren, great-grandchildren and circle of friends. ת.נ.צ.ב.ה.

In Memoriam.

ABRAHAMS.—In unfading memory of my darling father, Samuel Abrahams, who died on December 27th, 1925. May his dear soul rest in everlasting peace. Amen.—Mrs. Alfred Harrison, 49, Mount Pleasant-road, N.W.10.

AMIEL.—In undying memory of our darling and devoted mother and "grandma," Bessie Amiel, who was taken from us December 17th, 1924. Years will not outgrow memories of you, Mother dear. God rest her dear soul in eternal peace. Sadly missed by Ethel Michalow and Bobbie Maclow.

BARNETT.—In ever loving memory of our dear wife and mother Esther Barnett, who passed away December 22nd, 1931. Sincerely mourned.—32, Erlanger-road, S.E.14.

BUCKNER.—In ever loving memory of our dear mother, Kate Buckner, who passed away December 29th, 1933—Tebeth 11th, 5694. Sadly missed by her son Norman and daughter Lil. May her dear soul rest in peace, Amen.

DANIEL.—In ever loving memory of our dear father, Harris, who passed away December 22nd, 1931—Tebeth 12th, 5692. Still remembered by Frank, Gene, Minnie and Harvey.

DOBKIN.—In ever loving memory of our dear husband and "dad," Abraham Dobkin, who passed away December 22nd, 1931 (Tebeth 12th, 5692). Deeply mourned by his wife, son and daughters.—The Grove, Holden-road, Kersal, Manchester.

DOMB.—In ever loving memory of our dear husband and father Marks Domb, who passed away December 26th, 1930—Tebeth 6th, 5691. Deeply mourned and sadly missed by his sorrowing wife, sons, daughters, sons-in-law, daughters-in-law and grandchildren. May his dear soul rest in peace.—71, Whitechapel-road, E.1.

FIELD.—In ever loving memory of our dearly beloved husband and father, Hyman Field, late of 27, Aldgate, who passed away Tebeth 14th, 5693—January 12th, 1933. So sadly missed by his heartbroken wife, daughters, sons-in-law and grandchildren. God rest his dear soul in everlasting peace.

In Memoriam.—(*Continued*)

FREEMAN.—In unfading memory of my beloved mother, who passed away July 15th, 1906; sister Jean, November 29th, 1918; and father, January 4th, 19.8. God rest their dear souls.—Mrs. Palmer, 4, Leweston-place, Stamford Hill.

HARRISON.—To the cherished and unfading memory of my darling uncle, Gerald Harley Harrison, who passed to the great beyond December 12th, 1930. God rest his dear soul in everlasting peace. A daily thought, a lifelong sorrow.—Edith.

HERMAN.—In everlasting reverent memory of Philip Herman, who passed away December 29th, 1933. God rest his soul.—1, Kingsbridge-road, W.10.

JACOBS.—In loving memory of our darling only child, Herman, who fell asleep in London on December 13th, 1933. To have and hold and then to part, is the saddest pain in a parent's heart. Lonesome always for you darling.—"Mama" and "Dad," 3, Joel-road, Berea, Johannesburg, South Africa.

JACOBS.—In ever loving and unfading memory of Herman Jacobs. Always in our thoughts. Sadly missed by Aunt Becky, Uncle Mark and cousins.—37, Gransden-avenue, Hackney.

LANDMAN.—In loving memory of Lazarus Landman, who died Tebeth 13th, 5693, corresponding with January 11th, 1933. Deeply mourned by his sorrowing wife Betsy, sons Dr. J. Landman and S. Landman (of London), and daughter Mrs. R. Silman, 22, Grange-avenue, Leeds. May his dear soul rest in peace.

LEVY.—In loving memory of our darling father Abraham Levy, who died January 7th, 1933—Tebeth 9th. Sadly missed and lovingly remembered by his heartbroken daughters and granddaughters. May his dear soul rest in peace.—"Maurbet," 42, Silwood-road, Brighton.

LEVY.—In loving and unfading memory of our dear husband and father, Joseph Levy, who passed away on Tebeth 10th, 5694, corresponding with December 28th, 1933. Sadly missed by his heartbroken wife, children and sons-in-law. A daily thought, a lifelong sorrow. God rest his dear soul in everlasting peace.—4, St. Mary's-road, Golders Green, N.W.4.

MATZ.—In cherished and unfading memory of our dear beloved father, David Matz, who departed this life December 28th, 1933—Tebeth 10th, 5694. Deeply mourned and ever in the memory of his sons, daughters, sons-in-law, daughters-in-law and grandchildren. May God rest his soul in perpetual peace.

NORDHEIM.—In loving memory of my dear wife Dinah, who departed this life December 15th, 1932. God rest her dear soul. Ever in my thoughts.—"Eagle View," 2, Olive Bush-hill, Snaresbrook.

NORDHEIM.—In loving memory of our dear sister Dinah Nordheim. Sadly missed by her sister Eve, brothers Harry, Lew., Aaron, Dave, sisters-in-law, nieces and nephews. May her dear soul rest in peace.

NORDHEIM.—In ever loving memory of our dear aunt, Dinah, who passed away December 15th, 1932. Always in our thoughts. — Sophia and Louis Isaacs, 732, Romford-road, E.15.

NORDHEIM.—In loving memory of our darling sister and aunt, Dinah, who died December 15th, 1932. — Isaac, Nancy and Isidore Molen.

NORDHEIM.—In everlasting memory of our dear friend, Dinah, who departed this life on December 15th, 1932. Not only to-day but every day, we mourn you. May her darling soul rest in eternal peace.—John and Rene Bendon, mother and family, 33, Romford-road, Stratford, E.15.

NORDHEIM.—In ever loving memory of our dear friend Dinah Nordheim, who passed away on December 15th, 1932. Always in our minds.—Sol. and Kitty Hartz and family.

PEARLSON.—In eternal memory of our sainted mother, Henrietta Pearlson, who passed away December, 1912,—Gustav, Mary and (grandson) Elias.

In Memoriam.—(*Continued*).

PEREZ (Perry).—To the sacred memory of our dear husband and father, Woolf Perez (Perry), of 471, Kings-road, Chelsea, who passed out of our lives Tebeth 11th, 5682—January 11th, 1922. May his dear soul rest in everlasting peace, Amen.

SAMUELS.—In everlasting memory of our dear uncle Isaac Samuels, who passed away December 13th, 1931.—Arthur and Emmie, 31, Cluny-street, Hightown, Manchester.

SEGAL.—In loving and cherished memory of our dear husband and father, Joseph Segal, who was taken from us Tebeth 13th, 5691—January 2nd (falling this year on Wednesday, December 19th). Deeply mourned and sadly missed by his devoted wife Annie, son Jack and daughter Doris. God grant his sweet soul eternal peace, Amen.—25, The Avenue, Brondesbury Park, N.W.6, and 123, Church-street, Edgware-road.

SILVER.—In loving memory of our beloved husband and father, Isaac Silver, who was called to his rest January 9th, 1933—Tebeth 11th, 5693. Deeply mourned by his sorrowful wife and sons Geoffrey and Billy.—21, Grosvenor Court-mansions, Marble Arch.

Tombstones to be Set.

ABRAHAMS.—The memorial in loving memory of the late Lewis Abrahams (L. A. Morbey) will be consecrated at Willesden Cemetery, on Sunday, December 16th, at 11 a.m.

COHEN.—The tombstone in loving memory of Louis Cohen, late of 45, Fairmead-road North, will be consecrated at Willesden Cemetery on Sunday, December 16th, at 12 noon.

HARRIS.—The tombstone in loving memory of Mary Miriam Harris will be consecrated next Sunday, December 16th, at 12.30 p.m., at Willesden Cemetery. Only intimation.—32, St. Gabriel's-road, N.W.2.

LINDER.—The tombstone in loving memory of the late Ben Linder will be consecrated at Southern Cemetery, Manchester, December 16th, at 3 p.m.

MATZ.—The consecration of the tombstone in affectionate memory of the late Mr. David Matz will take place at Crumpsall Cemetery, Manchester, on Sunday, December 16th, at 12.15 p.m. Will relatives and friends please accept this, the only intimation. Conveyances will leave the Great Synagogue, Cheetham Hill-road, at 12 noon.

NARINSKY.—The tombstone in loving memory of the late Israel Narinsky, of 39, Lansdowne-road, Tottenham, will be consecrated at Edmonton Cemetery on Sunday, December 16th, at 1 p.m.

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Tombstones to be Set.—*(Continued)*

RUDA.—The tombstone of the late Eva Ruda will be consecrated at Brighton Cemetery on Sunday, December 16th, at 2.30 p.m. Relatives and friends accept this, the only intimation.—S. Ruda, 21, Brunswick-terrace, Hove.

STEIN.—The tombstone in loving memory of the late Mrs. Jane Stein will be consecrated at Rainsough Cemetery, at 11.30 a.m., on Sunday, December 16th. Conveyances will leave North Manchester Synagogue at 11 a.m.

VAN RAALTE.—The tombstone to the memory of the late Maurice Henry Van Raalte, only child of Florence and the late Abraham Van Raalte, will be consecrated at 11.15 a.m., on Sunday, December 16th, at Edmonton Cemetery.

Thanks for Condolence.

Lucy and Sidney Freeman, of St. Margarets, West Heath-road, Hampstead, wish to express their grateful thanks to all those dear friends who condoled with them in their unutterable grief at the loss of their darling son, Abraham Spencer. God rest his dear soul in peace.

Lucy and Sidney Freeman wish to express their grateful thanks to the many hundreds of sympathisers who were not known to them personally but were friends of their dear son, Abraham Spencer. The recognition of his kindness, his manliness, his beautiful nobility of character is a great comfort and help to them during their grief and sorrow. God rest his dear soul in peace.

"Connie" and Gerald Leatherman desire to tender their most sincere thanks to their friends for the beautiful messages of sympathy and condolence on the loss of their darling brother, Abraham Spencer Freeman. God rest his soul in peace.

Mr. and Mrs. David Caplan, of 21, Sefton Park-road, Liverpool, sincerely thank all relatives and friends for the kindness and sympathetic condolences received during their sad bereavement.

The sons and daughters of the late Mrs. Sarah Caplan thank relatives and friends for visits and letters of condolence following the loss of their dear mother.—29, Sefton Park-road, Liverpool.

The Rev. Z. and Mrs. Cohen and family, of 9, Bruce-road, Pollokshields, Glasgow, wish to thank all relatives, friends, Rabbanim, Chazanim and Shochetim for their visits and kind expressions of sympathy in the loss of their dearly beloved son and brother, Jack.

Mrs. H. Levene and daughters, 20, Parmiter-street, E.2, wish to express their grateful thanks to relatives and friends for kind expressions of sympathy in their recent sad bereavement, and also thank those who attended prayers during Shiva.

Mr. Israel Rivlin and family wish to thank relatives and friends for kind messages of sympathy in their sad bereavement. — 113, Cathedral-road, Cardiff.

Thanks for Gifts, Etc.

Mr. and Mrs. Mark Davis, of 481, Mile End-road, Bow, wish to thank relatives and friends for the kind wishes and gifts on the occasion of the Barmitzvah of their only son, Barry, on December 8th.

Personal.

Mr. and Mrs. Hyman Jacobs wish to thank Institutions, and their relatives and friends for the kind expressions of congratulation and good wishes received on the occasion of their Golden Wedding; also for the many generous contributions in their honour to the Fund for the Relief of Polish Jewry.

Will Philip Micheals, last heard of in 1917, from San Francisco, believed to be in Australia, communicate with his sister, Mrs. Bendeth, 8, Coptic-street, London, W.C.1, England.

קק"ק כנסת ישראל
UNITED SYNAGOGUE

GREAT.—Preacher, this Friday evening, Rev. P. Cohen, B.A. Reader, this Friday evening and to-morrow, Sabbath, the Rev. G. Boyars.

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Jews and the Palestine Mandatory

A YEAR ago, at the Annual Conference of the English Zionist Federation, Dr. WEIZMANN uttered an urgent warning to Zionists against playing with the traditional friendship of England. There was no doubt that his audience were in complete sympathy with his speech and were, indeed, deeply moved by it. With great regret, therefore, we have to say that, despite the attitude manifested at the Conference, Dr. WEIZMANN'S warning words have either failed to reach the ears of some Zionists abroad, or have been forgotten or ignored by them. Again and again we read insinuations in the Press, doubts thrown on England's good faith, charges of hypocrisy levelled against her, and downright and reckless exaggerations and mis-statements which do little credit to the mental balance or the statesmanship of those who pen these things. Here, for instance, is Mr. RUBASHOW, the editor of the Palestine Labour daily, *Davar*, speaking at the end of last month at a Conference in America of the National Labour Committee for Palestine. We take the report from the *Jewish Daily Bulletin*, New York. It is headed, "Rubashow Hits Britain," and runs, in part, as follows: "He denounced the Mandatory Power as a detriment to the upbuilding of the Jewish homeland in Palestine. . . ." "We have lost our illusions about Great Britain," it went on. A leading article in the paper at about the same time referred to "the anti-Jewish interests of the British Government," while a correspondent was permitted to talk, in a letter, about "the damnable hypocrisy of our so-called English friends," to charge Great Britain with "the systematic blocking of our every effort in Palestine" and with "attempting to extinguish the only ray of hope left to the Jewish people." "England," the letter went on, "in spite of its hypocritical protestations, has raised its hand against the heart of Jewry and is aiming to destroy its very essence and its only hope of survival." In fact it "has already destroyed the very foundation of the Jewish National Home."

Another issue of the self-same journal, on the 25th of last month, printed prominently an article which carried the headline: "I Like The British, But ——." The writer said that he was "raised on the kind of pap, just as most Jews were, that caused him to look to England as a great and impelling force for legal justice and social fairness," but "personal admiration was one thing and the recognition of physical enmity was another." He "merely viewed these British as determined antagonists, none the less worthy people for all that. . . . Everywhere throughout the world," he went on, "those who love Zion must join with the other myriad enemies of England. We must make our very anti-British attitude so thorough-going that it will put us in a position for barter. We will give over our own anti-British outlook only when they give over the *de facto* anti-Jewish attitude they are indulging themselves in. Until that time if we are wise, the Irish, the East Indians, the Japanese and all other nationalist and commercial enemies of Britain can look to us as their unquestioned allies." Nor are these manifestations of anti-British bias confined to one American sheet. A correspondent signing himself "An Anglo-Jew in Palestine," in a letter to this paper last June, stated that "not a paper is printed daily but some form of Anglophobia is displayed,"—an allegation, be it noted, which embraces the Arab as well as the Jewish press of Palestine.

These wild utterances, it will be agreed, find no echo among the Jewish people as a whole. But the printed word is apt to impress, and even to carry conviction. As such, the remarks we have quoted are mischievous and not without danger. What do these reckless irresponsibles hope to accomplish by their silly "twisting of the lion's tale," and their call for a crazy alliance with Britain's enemies? We can understand impatience with the slow growth of the Yishuv (though the pace now offers signs of some acceleration), and with the other difficulties in the way of the expansion of the Jewish national home. But do these writers suppose that a single extra immigrant will be allowed or a solitary additional dunam of land acquired because the conventional gibes of Continental Anglophobists are borrowed and a charge of hypocrisy is flung at Great Britain? Or do they really think that any other Power eager to accept the Mandate in place of Britain would take its marching orders from a number of un-thinking zealots in New York, or would be likely to be more amenable to their demands than the present Mandatory Power? The thing is childish!

We have ourselves, as our readers know, not hesitated to criticise the actions of the British Government in Palestine. We, too, like Zionists in general, have fretted at times at what seemed the rather leaden movements of the British authorities in Palestine. But there are oceans of distance between complaints or remonstrance and the methods which the ungovernable enthusiasms of some Zionist speakers and writers drive them to adopt. If these people are not altogether bereft of wisdom and restraint, they will recognise that Britain is, and is likely to remain, the Mandatory Power for Palestine, and that the sensible thing to do is to endeavour to achieve the maximum of harmonious co-operation with it. Only a madman would suppose that abuse of Britain, with its inculcation of the unfounded suspicion that Jewry is anti-English, will bring any advantage either for the Yishuv or for Jews as a whole. We urge such critics as those we have referred to, to cultivate a sense of realities and to heed Dr. WEIZMANN'S warning against playing with the traditional friendship of England—a game which is not only short-sighted but not a little ungrateful. Is there nothing, too, that Zionists can do to "interpret the British temperament," as the "Anglo-Jew in Palestine" put it, to the Jewish inhabitants of the Yishuv who, we must not forget, have in the great majority of cases come from non-British lands? There seems to be a failure of duty in this respect, which is unfortunate!

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CALENDAR AND DIARY

(Tebeth 29 days)

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(8th Tebeth to 15th Tebeth)

FRIDAY (8th Tebeth), 14th December ... ... Sabbath begins at **3.30**

SATURDAY (9th Tebeth), 15th December. Portion of the Law (Torah), וישב, Genesis xliv. 18 to xlvii. 27. Portion of Prophets (Haftara), Ezekiel xxxvii. 15-28
Sabbath ends (in London) at **4.39**

SUNDAY (10th Tebeth), 16th December, Fast of Tebeth, ending at **4.39**

FRIDAY (15th Tebeth), 21st December ... Sabbath begins at **3.30**

Jewry: Week by Week

"METHODS OF BARBARISM"

THE revival of the Russian Terror, and the wholesale executions that have resulted, can produce only a feeling of repulsion in countries which are not regimented by irresponsible juntas, and in which the elementary rights of the individual are respected. In their summary procedure they are reminiscent of the "June 30th" purge of evil memory, and both are symptomatic of the "methods of barbarism" which are so prevalent in these days of unrest, whether practiced by governments or hare-brained individuals. The parallel of Russia with Nazi Germany is very noteworthy. Both have risen to power by violence, both maintain themselves by an arbitrary system, both rule with the aid of a secret police, and are the foes of religion, and both exercise a terrorism which is meant to impress by its strength, but which is itself the child of terror and a sense of insecurity. Regimes of violence can only be sustained by yet more violence, and have not in themselves, for that reason, the seeds of permanence, while at the same time they are repugnant to nations which are happily ruled with the consent of the governed. Less than this no Jewish newspaper could say, whatever benefits may have accrued to Jews themselves from the Russian revolution.

THE GHOST SHIP

TOWARDS the end of August last a company of 318 Jewish young men and women left Poland in the hope of finding some release from grinding poverty in the glorious new haven in Palestine. They embarked on a Greek ship, which set sail for their objective, but all attempts to land were frustrated by the shore patrols. Thereupon, the vessel turned about and made for Constantinople. Again the same reception. Salonika was next tried. But here, too, there was no chance. The vessel cruised about for nearly three months, with its shipload of 300 wandering Jews, whom nobody wanted—a ghost ship with no certain destination. Finally its tragic human freight was taken over by a Rumanian vessel and found its way to Poland again. Sixty-three of them were then given Palestine immigration certificates by the Warsaw Zionist Emigration office. The others are presumably waiting in hope—the only thing they still possess after their harrowing experience. The whole incident throws a vivid flashlight on the unexampled and pathetic homelessness of the Jews—the "tribe of the wandering foot and weary breast."

IT will be said that these unhappy people knew they were unable to satisfy the known conditions for entering Palestine, and should not have started on their risky voyage. Their action, is, indeed, not countenanced by responsible Zionists, or by anybody with spirit enough to want his people to enter their homeland upstanding—through the front gate, and not by a back door. But at least the pathetic ardour of these young men and women to tread what they regard as their own soil should commend them to the sympathy of the Powers that be. After all, youth so full of hope and idealism and determination may reasonably be regarded as having within it the making of good citizens.

"THIS IS PALESTINE!"

BUT another question also arises. Are the people of this type always fully aware of the risks they take and their prospects of success? We are driven to ask this question because of a case reported from Poland in the London press this week. In this instance, an extraordinary certain individual, now under arrest, is alleged to have chartered a small boat at the Polish port of Gdynia, and made it known that he could get Jews into Palestine at £40 per head. Many, so runs the report, sold up their homes and belongings to raise the money, and some 200 passengers set off with high hopes. The ship cruised, according to the story, for four days in the Baltic, and, at dead of night, landed its passengers at a deserted spot near Gdynia, with the intimation that they had reached Palestine. Can nothing be done to prevent poor and ignorant people being cruelly hoaxed either in this or some other way? The Jews' Temporary Shelter, acting through the Hias and the Central Jewish Emigration Association of Poland, has done admirable work in the way of enlightening would-be emigrants. Perhaps it could now see its way to intensify its efforts.

JEWS AND GENERAL CHARITIES

A NON-JEWISH correspondent, Mr. Eric Turrel, sends us an appreciative letter in the course of which he states that he has recently been collecting donations for a Night Shelter in Westminster, and has found that throughout North-West London seventy-five per cent. of the subscribers to this "Christian Charity" were Jews. He feels somewhat guilty, he adds, when he tells himself that without Jewish assistance the necessary work of the Shelter could not be carried on. "We Gentiles are strangely ignorant of our responsibilities to our own poor," he goes on to say. Our correspondent's letter does but register, or re-register, a well-established fact—the support, by Jews, of general charities—which may deserve special mention at this moment when the demands on the communal purse are so heavy. We hope that the admirable civic spirit thus evinced will always be with us, and perhaps it would not be out of place to express a wish for a little more reciprocity than would appear to exist. At the recent meeting of the Governing Body of the High Commission for Jewish and other German refugees, for instance, Viscount Cecil paid a warm tribute to Jews for their generosity towards the Nazis' victims. But, "he felt bound to add that the corresponding effort made by the non-Jewish public on behalf of the refugees had not been so good. It was striking that whereas, he understood, twenty per cent. of the refugees were non-Jews only three or four per cent. of the relief money came from non-Jewish sources." We would only say that mutual kindness is a great sweetener of social relationships.

INSURANCE COMPANIES AND JEWS

THE announcement made by the tariff insurance companies of increased motor insurance premiums for owners whose vehicles are garaged in areas in which a super-normal number of accidents and casualties occur, has raised a storm of criticism. We are particularly interested, as Jews, in the remarks which the Insurance Correspondent of the FINANCIAL NEWS makes on the subject. Statistical research, he points out, has established the fact that "failure of the human element" is responsible for the very large majority of the accidents which take place. Therefore, the owner or driver himself, and his ability to avoid accidents, should be the fundamental factors in determining the premium which he should have to pay. "An owner of a motor vehicle with a clear record of absolute freedom from accidents," the writer goes on to say, "cannot, on grounds of equity, be asked to pay an increased insurance premium merely because he happens to live, and therefore to garage his car, in a particular locality." He accordingly calls for some system of "personal" rating, and recommends an agreement between all the companies to record their experience of each individual owner with a central bureau. With complete data at their disposal, underwriters could establish a system of assessment based fundamentally on the human or personal element.

We have ourselves more than once urged action along these lines in connection with the restrictions placed by some insurance companies on Jews and other classes of the population. It is surely just as irrational and unfair to penalise a whole body of citizens because of the alleged faults of some among them as to discriminate against all owners or drivers who happen to live in a particular area. The "personal element" is the only just criterion, and it is to be hoped that the companies concerned will take into early consideration the practical suggestion which the writer of the article referred to throws out.

Social and Personal

THE DUKE AND DUCHESS OF KENT are staying at Trent Park, near Barnet, which has been lent to them by Sir Philip Sassoon, Bart.

PRINCESS HELENA VICTORIA AND PRINCESS MARIE LOUISE were present at a dinner party given by Lady Sassoon at 17, Belgrave Square on Tuesday evening.

A SON was born at Downs Nursing Home on Saturday, December 8th, to Mr. and Mrs. Cyril Benjamin (Mary Parnes), of 20, Brondesbury Park, N.W.6.

ON Wednesday, December 12th, 1934, a son was born at 11, Oman Avenue, Cricklewood, N.W.2, to Eileen (née Burnett), wife of Max Davis.

MRS. S. BLOCH, Mr. and Mrs. S. Henes, Mr. and Mrs. J. K. Harris, with the other members of the family of the late Rev. S. Bloch, M.A., desire to express grateful thanks to their many sympathisers in their recent bereavement.

FORTHCOMING MARRIAGES

MR. GERALD ABRAHAMS AND MISS LENZ.

The engagement is announced of Gerald, son of Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Abrahams, 41, King's Road, Brighton, and late of 92, Dartmouth Road (and second grandson of the late Joseph and Rosa Victor), to Marie, second daughter of Mr. J. Lenz and the late Mrs. R. Lenz, of 54, King's Road, Brighton.

MR. HARRY VERNON LANDAU AND MISS WOLFSON.

The engagement is announced of Harry Vernon, son of Mr. and Mrs. Morris Landau, of London, to Betty, sixth daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Solomon Wolfson, of 16, Camphill Avenue, Langside, Glasgow.

MR. HARRY MARKS AND MISS HARRIS.

The engagement is announced of Harry Marks, of Glasgow, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. A. Manackerman, of Manchester, to Marie, elder daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. Harris of St. Annes-on-Sea.

MR. ISAAC SOLOMON AND MISS MOSS.

The engagement is announced of Isaac, youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. David Solomon, "Woodside," Wilmslow Road, Didsbury, Manchester, to Eileen, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Moss, 75, Greencroft Gardens, Hampstead, N.W. Mr. and Mrs. Moss will be "At Home" on Sunday, December 16th, from 3.30 to 6.30 p.m.

MR. JACK TRACHTENBERG AND MISS WOOLFSON.

The engagement is announced of Jack, only son of Mr. and Mrs. L. Trachtenberg, of 7, Linthorpe Road, Stamford Hill, N.16, to Marie, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. L. Woolfson, of 114, Clarence Road, Lower Clapton, E.5.

MR. ARTHUR BERNSTEIN AND MISS GILBERT.

The marriage will be solemnised, at the Golders Green Synagogue, on Tuesday, December 18th, at 4.30 p.m., of Arthur, youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. L. Bernstein, 4, Woodstock Road, Golders Green, to Rosalinde, youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. Gilbert, 58, Park Road, Regent's Park.

MR. JACK BLOOM AND MISS MYERS.

The marriage will be solemnised on Sunday, December 16th, at 5 p.m., at the Western Synagogue, Alfred Place, Tottenham Court Road, of Mr. Jack Bloom to Miss Deborah Myers.

The Week's Pulpit

Metropolitan

THIS (FRIDAY) EVENING

GREAT, Duke Street, E.C. ... ... Rev. P. COHEN, B.A.

TO-MORROW (SABBATH)

EAST LONDON, Rectory Square ... ... Mr. S. BROMBERGER, B.A. (Jews' College).

ST. JOHN'S WOOD ROAD (Liberal) ... ... Rev. M. L. PERLZWEIG, M.A. (Service at 11) *Subject:* "The Jew Says 'No.'"

SUNDAY

ST. JOHN'S WOOD ROAD (Liberal) ... ... Mr. LESLIE I. EDGAR, M.A. (Service at 11.30) *Subject:* "The Future of the Jews in Europe."

Forthcoming Events

Metropolitan

FRIDAY, December 14.

JEWISH INSTITUTE, Mulberry Street, Lecture by the Rev. I. A. Rosenbaum, 8.

N.L. YOUNG MIZRACHI AND RECHAVIA, Inter-debate, 128, Amhurst Road, E., 8. "Tradition Must be Changed to Preserve Judaism."

SINAI, 59, Brick Lane, E.1, Gemarah Shiur by Rabbi Kaplinsky, 8.

DEVONSHIRE SOCIETY, Study Circle, 270, Victoria Park Road, E.9, 8.30.

SATURDAY, December 15.

TALMUD TORAH TRUST CONTINUATION CLASSES, Inauguration, 46, Commercial Road, 5.45.

DEVONSHIRE SOCIETY, Dance, Imperial Ballrooms, Cottage Grove, Bow, well-known band, Fox-trot Comp., Valuable Prizes, 7.30 to 11.30. (2/-)

PALESTINIAN STUDENTS' UNION, Chanucah Ball at the University of London Union, 68, Torrington Square, W.C.1, Palestinian Songs and Folk Dances. Dancing 7.30 to 12 midnight. (Members 2/-, visitors 3/-)

WILLESDEN JEWISH YOUNG PEOPLE'S ASSOCIATION, Opening Dance, Willesden District Synagogue Hall, College Road, N.W.10, 7.30. (Mems. 2/-, Vis. 2/6)

JEWISH INSTITUTE, Mulberry St., Lecture by the Rev. B. N. Michelson, B.A., 8.

J.R.E.B., Performance in aid of the North London Secondary Classes by the Dalston Synagogue Centre, Dramatic Section, 8.

T.J.T. CLUB, Marcus Samuel Hall, Egerton Road, N.16, Grand Dance, 8.

STRAIGHT 8 AID SOCIETY, Annual Ball, Grosvenor House, Park Lane, 9 to 3.

SUNDAY, December 16.

THE JEWISH MUSEUM, Woburn House, entrance Upper Woburn Place. Open from 10.30 to 1, and daily upon enquiry at the office, third floor.

BEN URI JEWISH ART GALLERY, Woburn House, W.C.1. Open 10 to 1, and 2 to 5.

DEPUTIES OF BRITISH JEWS, Board Meeting, The Communal Centre, 10.15.

B.B.Z., Harley Street, E.3, Presidential Address by Professor S. Brodetsky, 4.30.

ALBION DANCE CLUB, Mozart House, Gala Revels, 2 Comps., R.W.'s Romany Band, 7 to 12. (2/-)

HEBREW WEEK, Re-union to Celebrate its Success, at the Royal Hotel, Woburn Place, Russell Square, 7.30. Dr. S. Brodetsky in the Chair. Musical Programme. Refreshments. Tickets 3/3.

B.B.Z. AND LEAGUE OF JEWISH YOUTH, Joint Dance, Harley St., 7.30. Visitors 1/6, members 1/-.

C. AND B.G., Grand "Egypta" Dance, Salon Bal, Harringay, Ladies' Free Gifts, Fox-trot Comp., T. Hooker judging, 7.30 to 11.30. Admission 2/-.

CEN. AND S.E. Y.I.S. entertaining Liverpool Y.I.S., All-day Function, Concluding with a Dance, Wansey Street, S.E.17 (Borough Syn.), 7.30 to 12.

GLADSTONE PARK AND NEASDEN SYNAGOGUE, Dance, Capitol Cinema Ballrooms, 7.30. (Tickets 2/6)

HIGHGATE SYNAGOGUE SOCIAL SOCIETY, Grand Novelty Night, Winchester Hotel, Archway Road, Highgate, 7.30. (Members 1/-, visitors 1/6.)

LEAGUE OF JEWISH YOUTH (West London), 71, Brook Green, W.6., "In Town To-night" Concert of Local Celebrities, 7.30 prompt. (Mems. 1/3, vis. 1/6)

NORTH LONDON JEWISH CLUB, 240a, Amhurst Rd., Dance, Fox-trot Comp., 7.30.

WEST HAM ORPHAN AID SOCIETY, Concert and Dance, Communal Hall, Earlham Grove, Forest Gate, 7.30. (1/-)

BRONDESBURY AND CRICKLEWOOD ZIONIST CIRCLE, Drawing Room Meeting by courtesy of Mr. and Mrs. A. Roberts, 72, Chatsworth Road, 8. Discussion on Zionist Problems. Mr. L. Bakstansky, LL.B., B.Sc., will attend.

CRICKLEWOOD LIT. SOCIETY, Surprise Night, Regal Lounge, Golders Green, 8.

DALSTON SYNAGOGUE SOCIAL CENTRE, Hat Debate and Social Evening, 8.

HILLSIDE TENNIS CLUB, Dance at Hillside Hall, 175, Holmleigh Road, N.16, 8.

JEWISH INSTITUTE, Mulberry Street, Concert, arranged by Sir Robert Waley Cohen, 8.

MODERN JUDEANS S.C., Dance, Unity Hall, 313, Brixton Road, S.W., 8. (1/-)

NORTH LONDON SYNAGOGUE SOCIAL SOCIETY, Excuse Me and Lucky Spot Dances, Fox trot Comps., 72, Lofting Road, 8. (Members 1/-, visitors 1/6.) Watch us for January 27th.

JEWISH EDUCATION GUILD, Performance of "Birthright" in aid of the Jewish Secondary Schools, Cambridge Theatre, 8.15.

DEVONSHIRE SOC., Syn. Hall, Devonshire Rd., Social, etc., 8.30 to 11.30. (Vis. 6d.)

WEST LONDON SYNAGOGUE ASSOCIATION, Lecture by Lord Balfour of Burleigh on "Old Houses and New Homes," 33, Seymour Place, 8.30.

B'NAI B'RITH, First Lodge of England, Lodge Meeting, 8.15. Address by Bro. H. Mayerowitsch, 9.30 (Public invited), B.B. Room, Jewish Communal Centre.

U.L.J.U.S.-Z.S., Professor Brodetsky on "Zionism, the Material and the Spiritual," 8.30.

OLD VICTORIANS, 2a, Henegage St., Brick Lane, Gala Soirée, Prizes. (Visitors, 1/6)

20TH CENTURY JUDEANS, Harvey Road, Leytonstone, Grand Dance and Hidden Talent Comp. (Admission 1/-.)

VENTURERS CLUB (West End), Dance, "Spanish Night," 95, New Bond Street, W.1. Admission 2/6.

MONDAY, December 17.

UNITED SYN. FELLOWSHIP, Lecture by Prof. Samson Wright, Jewish Institute, 9.

TUESDAY, December 18.

JEWISH HIGHER EDUCATION CENTRE, Lecture on the Prayer-Book by Mr. Nathan Morris, 46, Commercial Road, 7.

CRICKLEWOOD LIT. SOC., Table Tennis Tournament, Regal Lounge, N.W.11, 8.

T.J.T. CLUB, Marcus Samuel Hall, Egerton Road, N.16, Topical Lecture, 8.

HARCOURT SOCIAL CLUB, Lecture by the Rev. C. E. Seccombe, 29, Stamford Hill, 8.45.

WEDNESDAY, December 19.

SOUP KITCHEN, Investigating Committee, 17/19, Butler Street, Spitalfields, 5.

LEAGUE OF JEWISH YOUTH, Film Evening, Syn. Hall, Harley St., E.3, 8. (6d.)

N.B.D.C., Open Fox-trot Comp., M.C. "Snowball," Mozart House, 8. Vis. 1/3.

DEVONSHIRE SOC., Syn. Hall, Devonshire Rd., Lecture by Mr. Isidore Levy, 9.

LEAGUE OF JEWISH YOUTH, Lecture by Mr. Mercado, 47a, Lea Bridge Road, 9.

20TH CENTURY JUDEANS, Grand Hat Debate. (Admission 3d.)

THURSDAY, December 20.

JEWISH MEMORIAL COUNCIL, Meeting of the Central Committee for Jewish Education, Woburn House, 5.

N.L. SYN. SOCIAL SOCIETY, Social and Games, 72, Lofting Road, 8. (6d. and 9d.)

TUESDAY, December 25.

HAGODOL SOCIAL CLUB, Annual Dance, Carlton Danse Salon, Tottenham Court Road, 8.30 to 3. (4/6)

WEDNESDAY, December 26.

A.Y.Z.S., Annual Ball, Queen's Hall, Langham Place, 8 to 2. (5/-)

Provincial

SUNDAY, December 16.

GRIMSBY, Zionist Association, Address by Mr. F. Ashe Lincoln, M.A., B.C.L., Social Club, 7.

LEEDS, Mass Meeting in connection with Hebrew Week in the Rialto Cinema, 7.30. Sir Montague Burton will preside, and Professor A. S. Yahuda will deliver a Lecture on "The Origin of the Hebrew Language and its Development Through the Ages."

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Jewry: Week by Week

"METHODS OF BARBARISM"

THE revival of the Russian Terror, and the wholesale executions that have resulted, can produce only a feeling of repulsion in countries which are not regimented by irresponsible juntas, and in which the elementary rights of the individual are respected. In their summary procedure they are reminiscent of the "June 30th" purge of evil memory, and both are symptomatic of the "methods of barbarism" which are so prevalent in these days of unrest, whether practiced by governments or hare-brained individuals. The parallel of Russia with Nazi Germany is very noteworthy. Both have risen to power by violence, both maintain themselves by an arbitrary system, both rule with the aid of a secret police, and are the foes of religion, and both exercise a terrorism which is meant to impress by its strength, but which is itself the child of terror and a sense of insecurity. Regimes of violence can only be sustained by yet more violence, and have not in themselves, for that reason, the seeds of permanence, while at the same time they are repugnant to nations which are happily ruled with the consent of the governed. Less than this no Jewish newspaper could say, whatever benefits may have accrued to Jews themselves from the Russian revolution.

THE GHOST SHIP

TOWARDS the end of August last a company of 318 Jewish young men and women left Poland in the hope of finding some release from grinding poverty in the glorious new haven in Palestine. They embarked on a Greek ship, which set sail for their objective, but all attempts to land were frustrated by the shore patrols. Thereupon, the vessel turned about and made for Constantinople. Again the same reception. Salonika was next tried. But here, too, there was no chance. The vessel cruised about for nearly three months, with its shipload of 300 wandering Jews, whom nobody wanted—a ghost ship with no certain destination. Finally its tragic human freight was taken over by a Rumanian vessel and found its way to Poland again. Sixty-three of them were then given Palestine immigration certificates by the Warsaw Zionist Emigration office. The others are presumably waiting in hope—the only thing they still possess after their harrowing experience. The whole incident throws a vivid flashlight on the unexampled and pathetic homelessness of the Jews—the "tribe of the wandering foot and weary breast."

IT will be said that these unhappy people knew they were unable to satisfy the known conditions for entering Palestine, and should not have started on their risky voyage. Their action, is, indeed, not countenanced by responsible Zionists, or by anybody with spirit enough to want his people to enter their homeland upstanding—through the front gate, and not by a back door. But at least the pathetic ardour of these young men and women to tread what they regard as their own soil should commend them to the sympathy of the Powers that be. After all, youth so full of hope and idealism and determination may reasonably be regarded as having within it the making of good citizens.

"THIS IS PALESTINE!"

BUT another question also arises. Are the people of this type always fully aware of the risks they take and their prospects of success? We are driven to ask this question because of a case reported from Poland in the London press this week. In this instance, an extraordinary certain individual, now under arrest, is alleged to have chartered a small boat at the Polish port of Gdynia, and made it known that he could get Jews into Palestine at £40 per head. Many, so runs the report, sold up their homes and belongings to raise the money, and some 200 passengers set off with high hopes. The ship cruised, according to the story, for four days in the Baltic, and, at dead of night, landed its passengers at a deserted spot near Gdynia, with the intimation that they had reached Palestine. Can nothing be done to prevent poor and ignorant people being cruelly hoaxed either in this or some other way? The Jews' Temporary Shelter, acting through the Hias and the Central Jewish Emigration Association of Poland, has done admirable work in the way of enlightening would-be emigrants. Perhaps it could now see its way to intensify its efforts.

JEWS AND GENERAL CHARITIES

A NON-JEWISH correspondent, Mr. Eric Turrel, sends us an appreciative letter in the course of which he states that he has recently been collecting donations for a Night Shelter in Westminster, and has found that throughout North-West London seventy-five per cent. of the subscribers to this "Christian Charity" were Jews. He feels somewhat guilty, he adds, when he tells himself that without Jewish assistance the necessary work of the Shelter could not be carried on. "We Gentiles are strangely ignorant of our responsibilities to our own poor," he goes on to say. Our correspondent's letter does but register, or re-register, a well-established fact—the support, by Jews, of general charities—which may deserve special mention at this moment when the demands on the communal purse are so heavy. We hope that the admirable civic spirit thus evinced will always be with us, and perhaps it would not be out of place to express a wish for a little more reciprocity than would appear to exist. At the recent meeting of the Governing Body of the High Commission for Jewish and other German refugees, for instance, Viscount Cecil paid a warm tribute to Jews for their generosity towards the Nazis' victims. But, "he felt bound to add that the corresponding effort made by the non-Jewish public on behalf of the refugees had not been so good. It was striking that whereas, he understood, twenty per cent. of the refugees were non-Jews only three or four per cent. of the relief money came from non-Jewish sources." We would only say that mutual kindness is a great sweetener of social relationships.

INSURANCE COMPANIES AND JEWS

THE announcement made by the tariff insurance companies of increased motor insurance premiums for owners whose vehicles are garaged in areas in which a super-normal number of accidents and casualties occur, has raised a storm of criticism. We are particularly interested, as Jews, in the remarks which the Insurance Correspondent of the FINANCIAL NEWS makes on the subject. Statistical research, he points out, has established the fact that "failure of the human element" is responsible for the very large majority of the accidents which take place. Therefore, the owner or driver himself, and his ability to avoid accidents, should be the fundamental factors in determining the premium which he should have to pay. "An owner of a motor vehicle with a clear record of absolute freedom from accidents," the writer goes on to say, "cannot, on grounds of equity, be asked to pay an increased insurance premium merely because he happens to live, and therefore to garage his car, in a particular locality." He accordingly calls for some system of "personal" rating, and recommends an agreement between all the companies to record their experience of each individual owner with a central bureau. With complete data at their disposal, underwriters could establish a system of assessment based fundamentally on the human or personal element.

We have ourselves more than once urged action along these lines in connection with the restrictions placed by some insurance companies on Jews and other classes of the population. It is surely just as irrational and unfair to penalise a whole body of citizens because of the alleged faults of some among them as to discriminate against all owners or drivers who happen to live in a particular area. The "personal element" is the only just criterion, and it is to be hoped that the companies concerned will take into early consideration the practical suggestion which the writer of the article referred to throws out.

Social and Personal

THE DUKE AND DUCHESS OF KENT are staying at Trent Park, near Barnet, which has been lent to them by Sir Philip Sassoon, Bart.

PRINCESS HELENA VICTORIA AND PRINCESS MARIE LOUISE were present at a dinner party given by Lady Sassoon at 17, Belgrave Square on Tuesday evening.

A SON was born at Downs Nursing Home on Saturday, December 8th, to Mr. and Mrs. Cyril Benjamin (Mary Parnes), of 20, Brondesbury Park, N.W.6.

ON Wednesday, December 12th, 1934, a son was born at 11, Oman Avenue, Cricklewood, N.W.2, to Eileen (née Burnett), wife of Max Davis.

MRS. S. BLOCH, Mr. and Mrs. S. Henes, Mr. and Mrs. J. K. Harris, with the other members of the family of the late Rev. S. Bloch, M.A., desire to express grateful thanks to their many sympathisers in their recent bereavement.

FORTHCOMING MARRIAGES

MR. GERALD ABRAHAMS AND MISS LENZ.

The engagement is announced of Gerald, son of Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Abrahams, 41, King's Road, Brighton, and late of 92, Dartmouth Road (and second grandson of the late Joseph and Rosa Victor), to Marie, second daughter of Mr. J. Lenz and the late Mrs. R. Lenz, of 54, King's Road, Brighton.

MR. HARRY VERNON LANDAU AND MISS WOLFSON.

The engagement is announced of Harry Vernon, son of Mr. and Mrs. Morris Landau, of London, to Betty, sixth daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Solomon Wolfson, of 16, Camphill Avenue, Langside, Glasgow.

MR. HARRY MARKS AND MISS HARRIS.

The engagement is announced of Harry Marks, of Glasgow, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. A. Manackerman, of Manchester, to Marie, elder daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. Harris of St. Annes-on-Sea.

MR. ISAAC SOLOMON AND MISS MOSS.

The engagement is announced of Isaac, youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. David Solomon, "Woodside," Wilmslow Road, Didsbury, Manchester, to Eileen, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Moss, 75, Greencroft Gardens, Hampstead, N.W. Mr. and Mrs. Moss will be "At Home" on Sunday, December 16th, from 3.30 to 6.30 p.m.

MR. JACK TRACHTENBERG AND MISS WOOLFSON.

The engagement is announced of Jack, only son of Mr. and Mrs. L. Trachtenberg, of 7, Linthorpe Road, Stamford Hill, N.16, to Marie, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. L. Woolfson, of 114, Clarence Road, Lower Clapton, E.5.

MR. ARTHUR BERNSTEIN AND MISS GILBERT.

The marriage will be solemnised, at the Golders Green Synagogue, on Tuesday, December 18th, at 4.30 p.m., of Arthur, youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. L. Bernstein, 4, Woodstock Road, Golders Green, to Rosalinde, youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. Gilbert, 58, Park Road, Regent's Park.

MR. JACK BLOOM AND MISS MYERS.

The marriage will be solemnised on Sunday, December 16th, at 5 p.m., at the Western Synagogue, Alfred Place, Tottenham Court Road, of Mr. Jack Bloom to Miss Deborah Myers.

The Week's Pulpit

Metropolitan

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GREAT, Duke Street, E.C. ... ... Rev. P. COHEN, B.A.

TO-MORROW (SABBATH)

EAST LONDON, Rectory Square ... ... Mr. S. BROMBERGER, B.A. (Jews' College).

ST. JOHN'S WOOD ROAD (Liberal) ... ... Rev. M. L. PERLZWEIG, M.A. (Service at 11) *Subject:* "The Jew Says 'No.'"

SUNDAY

ST. JOHN'S WOOD ROAD (Liberal) ... ... Mr. LESLIE I. EDGAR, M.A. (Service at 11.30) *Subject:* "The Future of the Jews in Europe."

Forthcoming Events

Metropolitan

FRIDAY, December 14.

JEWISH INSTITUTE, Mulberry Street, Lecture by the Rev. I. A. Rosenbaum, 8.

N.L. YOUNG MIZRACHI AND RECHAVIA, Inter-debate, 128, Amhurst Road, E., 8. "Tradition Must be Changed to Preserve Judaism."

SINAI, 59, Brick Lane, E.1, Gemarah Shiur by Rabbi Kaplinsky, 8.

DEVONSHIRE SOCIETY, Study Circle, 270, Victoria Park Road, E.9, 8.30.

SATURDAY, December 15.

TALMUD TORAH TRUST CONTINUATION CLASSES, Inauguration, 46, Commercial Road, 5.45.

DEVONSHIRE SOCIETY, Dance, Imperial Ballrooms, Cottage Grove, Bow, well-known band, Fox-trot Comp., Valuable Prizes, 7.30 to 11.30. (2/-)

PALESTINIAN STUDENTS' UNION, Chanucah Ball at the University of London Union, 68, Torrington Square, W.C.1, Palestinian Songs and Folk Dances. Dancing 7.30 to 12 midnight. (Members 2/-, visitors 3/-)

WILLESDEN JEWISH YOUNG PEOPLE'S ASSOCIATION, Opening Dance, Willesden District Synagogue Hall, College Road, N.W.10, 7.30. (Mems. 2/-, Vis. 2/6)

JEWISH INSTITUTE, Mulberry St., Lecture by the Rev. B. N. Michelson, B.A., 8.

J.R.E.B., Performance in aid of the North London Secondary Classes by the Dalston Synagogue Centre, Dramatic Section, 8.

T.J.T. CLUB, Marcus Samuel Hall, Egerton Road, N.16, Grand Dance, 8.

STRAIGHTS AID SOCIETY, Annual Ball, Grosvenor House, Park Lane, 9 to 3.

SUNDAY, December 16.

THE JEWISH MUSEUM, Woburn House, entrance Upper Woburn Place. Open from 10.30 to 1, and daily upon enquiry at the office, third floor.

BEN URI JEWISH ART GALLERY, Woburn House, W.C.1. Open 10 to 1, and 2 to 5.

DEPUTIES OF BRITISH JEWS, Board Meeting, The Communal Centre, 10.15.

B.B.Z., Harley Street, E.3, Presidential Address by Professor S. Brodetsky, 4.30.

ALBION DANCE CLUB, Mozart House, Gala Revels, 2 Comps., R.W.'s Romany Band, 7 to 12. (?/-)

HEBREW WEEK, Re-union to Celebrate its Success, at the Royal Hotel, Woburn Place, Russell Square, 7.30. Dr. S. Brodetsky in the Chair. Musical Programme. Refreshments. Tickets 3/9.

B.B.Z. AND LEAGUE OF JEWISH YOUTH, Joint Dance, Harley St., 7.30. Visitors 1/6, members 1/-.

C. AND B.G., Grand "Egypta" Dance, Salon Bal, Harringay, Ladies' Free Gifts, Fox-trot Comp., T. Hooker judging, 7.30 to 11.30. Admission 2/-.

CEN. AND S.E. Y.I.S. entertaining Liverpool Y.I.S., All-day Function, Concluding with a Dance, Wansey Street, S.E.17 (Borough Syn.), 7.30 to 12.

GLADSTONE PARK AND NEASDEN SYNAGOGUE, Dance, Capitol Cinema Ballrooms, 7.30. (Tickets 2/6)

HIGHGATE SYNAGOGUE SOCIAL SOCIETY, Grand Novelty Night, Winchester Hotel, Archway Road, Highgate, 7.30. (Members 1/-, visitors 1/6.)

LEAGUE OF JEWISH YOUTH (West London), 71, Brook Green, W.6., "In Town To night" Concert of Local Celebrities, 7.30 prompt. (Mems. 1/3, vis. 1/6)

NORTH LONDON JEWISH CLUB, 240a, Amhurst Rd., Dance, Fox-trot Comp., 7.30.

WEST HAM ORPHAN AID SOCIETY, Concert and Dance, Communal Hall, Earlham Grove, Forest Gate, 7.30. (1/-)

BRONDESBURY AND CRICKLEWOOD ZIONIST CIRCLE, Drawing Room Meeting by courtesy of Mr. and Mrs. A. Roberts, 72, Chatsworth Road, 8. Discussion on Zionist Problems. Mr. L. Bakstansky, LL.B., B.Sc., will attend.

CRICKLEWOOD LIT. SOCIETY, Surprise Night, Regal Lounge, Golders Green, 8.

DALSTON SYNAGOGUE SOCIAL CENTRE, Hat Debate and Social Evening, 8.

HILLSIDE TENNIS CLUB, Dance at Hillside Hall, 175, Holmleigh Road, N.16, 8.

JEWISH INSTITUTE, Mulberry Street, Concert, arranged by Sir Robert Waley Cohen, 8.

MODERN JUDEANS S.C., Dance, Unity Hall, 313, Brixton Road, S.W., 8. (1/-)

NORTH LONDON SYNAGOGUE SOCIAL SOCIETY, Excuse Me and Lucky Spot Dances, Fox trot Comps., 72, Lofting Road, 8. (Members 1/-, visitors 1/6.) Watch us for January 27th.

JEWISH EDUCATION GUILD, Performance of "Birthright" in aid of the Jewish Secondary Schools, Cambridge Theatre, 8.15.

DEVONSHIRE SOC., Syn. Hall, Devonshire Rd., Social, etc., 8.30 to 11.30. (Vis. 6d.)

WEST LONDON SYNAGOGUE ASSOCIATION, Lecture by Lord Balfour of Burleigh on "Old Houses and New Homes," 33, Seymour Place, 8.30.

B'NAI B'RITH, First Lodge of England, Lodge Meeting, 8.15. Address by Bro. H. Mayerowitsch, 9.30 (Public invited), B.B. Room, Jewish Communal Centre.

U.L.J.U.S.-Z.S., Professor Brodetsky on "Zionism, the Material and the Spiritual," 8.30.

OLD VICTORIANS, 2a, Heneage St., Brick Lane, Gala Soirée, Prizes. (Visitors, 1/6)

20TH CENTURY JUDEANS, Harvey Road, Leytonstone, Grand Dance and Hidden Talent Comp. (Admission 1/-.)

VENTURERS CLUB (West End), Dance, "Spanish Night," 95, New Bond Street, W.1. Admission 2/6.

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UNITED SYN. FELLOWSHIP, Lecture by Prof. Samson Wright, Jewish Institute, 9.

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JEWISH HIGHER EDUCATION CENTRE, Lecture on the Prayer-Book by Mr. Nathan Morris, 46, Commercial Road, 7.

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HARCOURT SOCIAL CLUB, Lecture by the Rev. C. E. Seccombe, 29, Stamford Hill, 8.45.

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SOUP KITCHEN, Investigating Committee, 17/19, Butler Street, Spitalfields, 5.

LEAGUE OF JEWISH YOUTH, Film Evening, Syn. Hall, Harley St., E.3, 8. (6d.)

N.B.D.C., Open Fox-trot Comp., M.C. "Snowball," Mozart House, 8. Vis. 1/3.

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JEWISH MEMORIAL COUNCIL, Meeting of the Central Committee for Jewish Education, Woburn House, 5.

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Obituary

MR. JULIAN WYLIE

One of the best known figures in the theatrical world passed away suddenly last Thursday by the death, at his residence, Oakwood Court, Kensington, of Mr. Julian Wylie, at the age of 56. For some time he had been travelling about the country to the towns where he was producing pantomimes — Glasgow, Manchester, Newcastle, Leeds and Birmingham —and returned to Drury Lane, where he was engaged on the forthcoming Christmas pantomime, "Cinderella." In his long association with the British stage, the deceased had produced over one hundred pantomimes in the Metropolis and the Provinces. Mr. Wylie, whose real name was Julian Samuelson, was a native of Southport, Lancashire, where he started as an accountant. Prior to coming to London Mr. Wylie became business manager to Mr. David Devant, the illusionist, and acted as agent for a number of leading variety artists. Finally, he turned his efforts to the production of revues and sketches in conjunction with the late Mr. James W. Tate. He was also responsible for a series of successful revues at the London Hippodrome, and among his productions were "The Good Companions," "Mr. Cinders" and "The Yellow Mask." In 1929, he produced his first Drury Lane pantomime, "The Sleeping Beauty." One of his last public utterances was made two days before his death, when he defended pantomime against films in a broadcast debate with Mr. Mack Sennett, the American film producer. Both the deceased's brothers were well known in the world of entertainment. One, G. B. Samuelson, was a pioneer of the British Film Industry; and the other, Lauri Wylie, is a successful musical comedy and revue author. In the passing of Julian Wylie not only the hundreds of employees over whose welfare he presided with loving care but untold millions of child patrons of pantomime, have lost a dear friend. Mr. Wylie had been a member of the Central Synagogue, Great Portland Street, for twenty years.

THE LATE MR. JULIAN WYLIE
[Topical Press Photo

In a tribute to Mr. Wylie, a writer in the OBSERVER states: "nearly all his large personal staff had been with him for more than five or six years, and several of them for more than twenty. He was a Jew, and his word was as good as his bond."

Remarkable scenes were witnessed at the funeral on Sunday at the Willesden Jewish Cemetery. Nearly 100 motor cars followed the remains, and included in the one thousand mourners at the cemetery were, in addition to relatives and personal friends, numerous members of the theatrical and vaudeville profession. There were hundreds of floral tributes from all parts of the country. The service in the cemetery hall was conducted by the Rev. Michael Adler, D.S.O., assisted by the Rev. A. Stoutzker. In the course of an address, Mr. Adler said: "With so much sorrow around, a man who has been able to bring happiness and laughter to children and grown-ups alike, has indeed fulfilled a worthy mission in life. Such a man was Julian Wylie, in whose memory this large gathering has assembled to do honour." His widow, two brothers and a brother-in-law (Mr. H. H. Lorie) were the principal mourners.

DR. SAMSON ROSENBAUM

The death is reported from Tel-Aviv of Dr. Samson Rosenbaum, the former Minister of Jewish Affairs in Lithuania and, since 1926, Lithuanian Consul in Palestine. At one time he was President of the Bank Yehudi (Jewish Bank), Ltd., of Palestine. The deceased, who was seventy-five years old, was one of the old guard of the Zionist movement and was born in Pinsk. While he was still a student, he threw himself actively into the pro-Palestine movement, and when the political Zionist movement was started he immediately joined the Zionist Organisation. At the time of the Uganda scheme, he was one its most active opponents. In 1906, he was elected Deputy for Minsk in the first Russian Duma. As a lawyer, Dr. Rosenbaum appeared in many Jewish and Zionist actions in Russia. At the end of the War, he played an important part in the movement for the establishment of an independent Lithuanian Republic. He was for five years President of the Jewish National Council of Lithuania and for a time Minister for Jewish Affairs.

In 1923, Dr. Rosenbaum visited London, and addressed a meeting of the Board of Deputies. He then said that the Jews of Lithuania formed from eight to ten per cent. of the total population. They had succeded in creating a new type of Jewish organisation which might possibly serve as a model for other countries. They had a Minister for Jewish Affairs. Such a State Department would be regarded as an impertinence in Poland, and as nonsense in England and France. Lithuania was the only country in Eastern and Central Europe in which the Jews had not had to appeal for help from London or Paris. The Lithuanian Constitution gave a large measure of autonomy to the Jews. A few weeks after his return to Lithuania from London, Dr. Rosenbaum tendered his resignation, on account of the action of the Parliament which had rejected the budget of the Jewish Mininstry, so that there were no funds available for the work of the Ministry. The President of the Republic asked him, however, to remain at his post, in order to wind up the affairs of his Department; and, about a month later, his resignation was officially accepted, and the Ministry of Jewish Affairs ceased to exist. Dr. Rosenbaum visited London again in 1928 and an interview with him was printed in our issue of September 7th.

THE REV. DAVID HYAMS

Dayan H. M. LAZARUS writes:

The Rev. David Hyams, who was laid to rest at Willesden on Friday last, was a faithful Minister, having served the Community conscientiously and ably for nigh half-a-century. When quite a young man, he left Poland and held for several years the position of Chazan-Shochet and teacher somewhere in the province of Posen, until Bismarck's restrictions turned his course to London. Here he held but two positions simultaneously, all the time, one as Chazan of the Mile End New Town, Dunk Street, Synagogue for over thirty-five years, from which he retired ten years ago, and the other as Shochet and Shomer under the Board of Shechita for over forty-five years, having retired only last summer. His was a most genial personality and in his *métier* he was competent, conscientious and helpful. He looked upon his work as a sacred task and, in consequence, had the fullest confidence of his employers and the Beth Din; and besides, was a most able teacher and examiner for the younger Shomerim in training. David Hyams had the respect of all who came into contact with him and held one of the key positions in charge of Kashrut with extreme ability and usefulness, and, in his modesty was almost unconscious of the signal services he was rendering the Community, apart from those to his employers. He attached due importance to his responsible work and left behind him a very dignified position to be filled by his successor. He was predeceased by his wife but seven months ago and leaves three sons and one daughter, all of whom are actively engaged in communal service.

The late REV. DAVID HYAMS.

THE LATE VISCOUNT BUCKMASTER

It might appear strange to find an obituary notice of Lord Buckmaster in THE JEWISH CHRONICLE were it not for a recent incident in his life. To use his own words, he "was not connected" by birth or tradition or close association with the Jewish race." Nevertheless, Lord Buckmaster did not hesitate a moment when he was asked by the President of the Board of Deputies to preside over the meeting of protest against Jewish persecution in Germany held eighteen months ago at the Queen's Hall. Two things moved him to special indignation. One was the treatment accorded to Jewish lawyers and judges. "These men," I remember him saying to me, "have been dragged out of the Courts of Justice where they were administering the law. It is a shameful act." Beyond and above the insult to the human beings involved, he felt, I think, there was something symbolical in the act. Justice itself, justice serene and even-handed, had been outraged. Then, too, he felt, as he said in his speech, that, of all people, he had special qualifications to appeal for justice in Germany. "When the War was over, at a time when the tide of National passion ran turbulent and high, when our mental vision was bloodshot and our sense of justice overthrown, an attempt was made to do to the German people here something akin to what the Germans seek to do to-day to the Jews." Lord Buckmaster was speaking of the measure introduced in the House of Commons in 1918, to expel all German nationals who had been resident in England during the War, and consisting mainly of elderly, inoffensive people who had not been naturalised, but had long since lost any connection with the country of their origin. It was mainly due to his efforts and those of the Archbishop of Canterbury that the House of Lords rejected this proposal. In England, as he said to me, there had been found men sufficiently cool-headed and courageous to take a stand against the tide of unreflecting popular sentiment, to which everything German was anathema. In 1933, under similar circumstances, he looked for men in Germany who would follow his example, and dare openly to repudiate and condemn the violence and brutality with which the Jews were being assailed.

Modern Germany has not apparently produced men like Lord Buckmaster. Perhaps, if she had, things would not have been quite the same. I do not know if Lord Buckmaster fulfilled any other public engagements after June 27th, 1933. If he did not, the words he used on that day have a special significance in giving a final definition of the spirit which animated him. "Throughout the whole of my public life, I have attempted to apply only one test to every question which came before me. It was not whether it was expedient; it was not whether it was part of the Party Programme; I always sought to apply the test—Was it just?" Which of us would not wish to have those words, if we could claim them to be true, as our own epitaph?—L. G. MONTEFIORE.

Sheffield Jewry has suffered a sad loss in the passing of Mrs. H. GOODMAN after a long illness. She was for many years a President of the Ladies' Benevolent Society, and her generous devotion and kindness to the sick and needy will be missed. Her memory will be for ever cherished by her colleagues.

A Service in memory of the late Mr. I. Danziger, President of the Polish Synagogue, E., was held at the Synagogue on Sunday. The Rev. J. Cohen officiated and the Rev. Mr. Shulman delivered an address.

Wills and Bequests

MR. LUDWIG NEUMANN, of the Ritz Hotel, Piccadilly, who died at Le Touquet on August 14th, aged 75 years, has left estate of the gross value of £237,115 (net personalty £225,225), on which estate duty of £57,670 has been paid. He left £5,000 to his executors for distribution among such charities as they may select, and £1,000 to the West End Hospital for Nervous Diseases.

MR. OTTO H. KAHN, of New York, partner in the firm of Kuhn, Loeb and Co., bankers, left personal estate in England of £7,314. The will stated: "Having given largely during my life to the various altruistic activities in which I interested myself, I refrain from making charitable bequests in my will."

IN THE COMMUNAL ARMCHAIR

If There Were No Jews

A DISTINGUISHED journalist, Mr. A. J. Cummings, addressed the Anglo-Palestinian Club the other day on the subject of "A Jewless World." He told his audience, at the outset, that such a thing is almost inconceivable. What strikes *me*, at the outset, is that the subject should have occurred to Mr. Cummings at all. Nobody has ever tried to create for himself a mental picture of a world without Frenchmen, Japanese, Dutchmen or even Germans! But there is nothing strange in speculating about the disappearance of the Jew—probably because he has been down here so long, has had his life attempted so often, and takes so unconscionable a time dying. I suppose that the Jews are the only people on God's good earth that such a discussion is ever likely to be raised about, and I suppose equally that if ever the prospect of our extinction drew near the good kind nations would take steps to preserve the remnants of the race, in the same way that other dying races are sometimes preserved, and that if they were unsuccessful, the last Jew that had breathed would be mummified and presented to some museum or other. Of one thing I am sure: that when we are reduced to a mere fraction of our present numbers, some crazy fanatics will still talk themselves black in the face about the menace of the Jew.

HOWEVER, let us examine more closely Mr. Cummings' "brave new world" that is Jewless. The first thing that occurs to me is that if it ever came to pass, a lot of anti-Semites would lose their "Jewish friends"; and that would be sad. Still, we need not waste any pity on them. They could probably acquire another set, equally dear (God help them!). Then, again, a number of politicians, not welcome in any other Party, would no longer be able to start an anti-Jewish group. Their occupation would be gone. The last resort of the disappointed tub-thumper would have vanished with the last Jew, and he would be forced to look about for some other "enemy of mankind" and "inferior" creature. He would probably find one. We needn't waste tears over him! The Ghettos would disappear. But the world would hardly notice that. Sixteen million Jews are a handful in a world of sixteen hundred millions, unless you want to start an agitation about them. Superficially, everything would be much as it used to be, except that Foreign Offices would not have to worry any more about the behaviour of their opposite numbers towards the Jews, and revolutions could no longer be launched on the stout backs of our race. But all these things are effects that lie on the surface. There are others, deeper perhaps and more important. Let us see. Mr. Cummings, let it be noted, is not the first to toy with this notion of a Jewless world. Only a few years ago, an Austrian writer, Mr. Bettauer, had the same idea; only he was content with just a town from which the last Jew had been driven. He showed the cumulative effects on that town. As each category of Jews folded its tents and stole away, a new blow fell upon the stricken city. Businesses were ruined. The banks put up their shutters. Places of amusement closed down. Butcher's meat vanished, because the Jewish cattle dealers were not there. Even the drains no longer worked. And in the end, the good citizens went on their knees and implored the exiles to return.

THAT story, crude perhaps, does, however, express what is usually regarded as a classic truth. We think of the decadence of Spain, attributed in no small part by many to its expulsion of the Jews. We believe, many of us, that the aggravation of Germany's economic troubles is due to her paralysing of Jewish activities. Multiply these examples, imagine a world that knew the Jew's restless spirit of enterprise no more, and at least half of a picture of a Jewless world emerges to view. But it is only half. It is not merely in the material realm but in the domain of the mind and the spirit that the absence of the Jew would spell impoverishment. The Jew has supplied much of the intellectual ferment and creative impulse that have kept the world from rotting in ruts. He has helped to prevent the stagnation of thought which breeds decay. He has been active not only in the scientific field but in the fields of literature and philosophy, and, in all, has enriched Mankind by his gifts. So long as he is true to his creed, too, he remains a witness to religion and the things eternal—a testimony not to be despised in these days. His suppression would be a victory of the material over the spiritual, the triumph of race-separatism over race-brotherhood, the mastery of humanistic principles by the demons of super-nationalism and war. It would be the eclipse of a people that has striven for generations to be a connecting link and a binding force among the nations. And it would mean that darkness has begun to envelop the world at large as much as the little minority of people called Jews.

BIOLOGICALLY, the diversity of races makes for progress. Each gives of its own fund of qualities to the common pool. Erase one of them—especially so gifted a one as the Jews—and by so much the wheels of human advancement are slowed down. No, a Jewless world would not be a better place. It would not even be a happier place. A Jewless world would be, to some extent, a joyless world, as the dull and empty all-"Aryan" German theatres prove. The Jews would, of course, have what they have not experienced for several thousand years—a little *menucha*. No more Hitlers, no more Mosleys, no more appeals, no more quarrels! But it would be the peace of the grave, and in that grave would be buried many of the things that make life more bearable and more understandable for all nations. The nations would no longer even have a scapegoat on which to lay the burden of responsibility for all their woes. But that might be a gain, for it would mean that they would cease to be able to delude themselves with fraudulent theories, and be compelled to face realities.

SO much for Mr. Cummings' suggested picture of a Jewless world. Like him, I find it difficult to create for myself a mental picture of such an incomplete thing, and looking around on humanity to-day and bethinking myself also of the aims for which we stand, I am inclined to parody the old saying and exclaim that if there were no Jewish race it would be necessary for the Father of all to create one. Happily for the world, not too happily for us, the Creator has been guilty of no such act of omission. He has built the Jewish people for His own Divine purposes, and given it a message to the nations—the message of the Fatherhood of God and the brotherhood of man. Till the long-distant day when that message is heeded there can be no Jewless world, and all speculation on it is fantastic, if interesting. We shall not disappear. We could not end our racial life, even if we would. לא אמות כי אחיה, is our unceasing cry—"I will not die, but live"; for we have to "declare the works of God," to accomplish the mission against whose discharge every mortal enmity must be vain.

Watchman.

Children's Country Holidays Fund

JEWISH BRANCH CONFERENCE

A conference of London Visitors and Country Superintendents of the Jewish Branch of the Children's Country Holidays Fund was held last week at the West Central Girls' Club, Alfred Place, W.C. The President, Mr. E. L. Franklin, who presided, congratulated Mr. Bernberg, the Secretary, on his restoration to health.

The Conference discussed the desirability of having the children's luggage conveyed to and from the stations at each end of the journey; and Miss Crowdy, of the Central Committee, who was present, agreed to raise the whole question of motor transport as against rail transport with the Committee. The necessity for Superintendents to arrange for one or two cottages for children under nine years was pointed out, as the new law upon this matter had now become effective. Various other matters of internal organisation were discussed.

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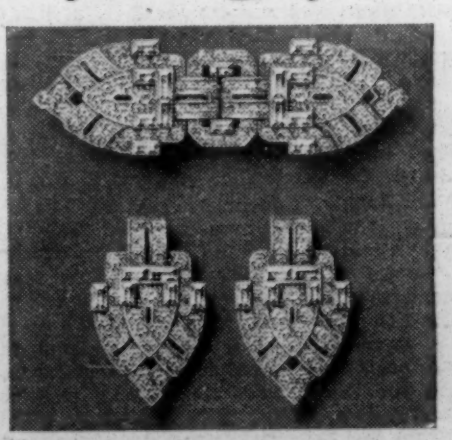

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LESSONS FROM THE SIDRA

The First Jewish Settlement

By the Rev. EPHRAIM LEVINE, M.A.

וישב, Genesis Chs. 44, v. 18.—47, v. 27.

The revelation of Joseph's identity and his reconciliation with his brothers is immediately followed by an invitation to his family to come and settle in Egypt. Pharaoh, grateful to Joseph for all he had accomplished for Egypt, readily supported the suggestion; and the brethren made their return journey to Canaan equipped with many evidences of regal hospitality and facilities for the transportation of the family and its effects. We have the surprise at the breaking of the news; the difficulty of realising that Joseph was alive; the practical proof of its truth seen in the wagons sent to convey them to Egypt; the father's gratitude expressed in prayer; the speedy preparations for the re-union and the Divine promise assuring the aged Patriarch that Egypt was now his destination and that blessings would follow him. The master hand of the historian has painted everything so vividly that we see the scenes passing before our eyes. And when the family journey was near its end Joseph went out to meet his father, arrayed in his chariot. It is customary for people to go out in procession to welcome a king. In the eyes of Joseph, his father is like a king. There is something instructive in the manner in which Joseph arranged for the introduction of his family to the court of Pharaoh. The first intimation of their arrival is made to Pharaoh in these words—my father, my brethren, their cattle and all that they have, are come from the land of Canaan to Egypt. Note the order—the father is mentioned first. Now note the order in which they are introduced to the king. Joseph took five of his brethren and presented them; there were eleven of them; why did he only present five? And why was the introduction of his brethren made before he presented his father, the head of the household?

The Midrash tells us that Joseph presented the five of his brothers who were shepherds, preferring that the first impression created by his family should be that of industrious, peace-loving men who were determined to justify their admission into Egypt. The five were Reuben, Simeon, Levi, Issachar and Benjamin. Deliberately did he choose these five; he did not want Pharaoh to think that his brethren were warriors, come to Egypt with military ambitions. They paid homage to the king, and asked leave to settle themselves with their cattle in the land of Goshen. The leave was granted, and they withdrew. Thus the first impression was a good one. It was part of the divine scheme which has ordered Jewish history that the Jew coming to a strange land should appear not as a warrior, but as the herald of peace, a worker anxious to bring his contribution of industry to the welfare of the country. Israel's long association with Egypt was to prove the truth of this. Its truth has been evident in every country where Jews have settled. They have brought peace-loving, orderly habits, a capacity for work and a determination to increase the prosperity of the land of their adoption. If a different impression had been made by the presentation of the brethren, a sense of fear and apprehension might have been created. Strangers were not welcomed into a country in those days any more than they are to-day, and the appearance of a tribe of warriors would have instilled fear into the heart of Pharaoh instead of satisfaction. The most difficult part of Joseph's task was the introduction of the brothers. He had no fear for his father's welcome. If you are impressed by children, you are eager to see the type of parents who have reared them. Thus did Joseph prepare for the appearance of Jacob before Pharaoh.

The meeting of Jacob with Pharaoh is a dignified and imposing spectacle. Twice it is mentioned that Jacob blessed Pharaoh—when he went in and as he came out. Few words passed between them. Jacob spoke of his long life of trials and disappointments; by the measure of time he had not attained to the years of his fathers, but his life had been full and the cup of affliction had been full to overflowing. Then Jacob blessed Pharaoh and withdrew from his presence. What sort of blessing could this old man have invoked for the king? Did some prophetic insight reveal to the aged patriarch the future history of his people in this new land? He had been only a few days in Egypt and these could not have afforded him an opportunity of appreciating the source of the country's prosperity. But wisdom abides with the aged. Old men have their visions, and Jacob could speedily realise that the Nile made Egypt, and that without that faithful perennial source of irrigation the land would be barren. Thus he prayed that the Nile would always function for the fertility of the land. Jewish immigration has been quick to seize the possibilities of a new land and to grasp the means for developing its prosperity. Opportunities are always there, if man will take them and use them. Nor have our people been slow to realise this, and wherever fate has carried them they have quickly adapted themselves and speedily shown how the bounties of nature can be turned to man's advantage. Egypt saw in the Nile the perpetual river that watered Egypt; Jacob saw in this mighty river the handiwork of a bountiful God. Let the mercies of God endure and Egypt's prosperity would be assured. Nor do our blessings go awry; our work endures; we cast our bread upon the waters, and it comes back after many days. Jacob blessed the Nile. It was that same river which in after years gave up to Israel our people's greatest treasure and it was Pharaoh's daughter who rescued Moses from its waters. Thus does history teach its lessons.

Jews' Free School

GIRLS' CONFIRMATION SERVICE

The annual Confirmation Service for Girls was held at the Great Synagogue, on Wednesday in last week. The Rev. J. Rivilis officiated and Dayan M. Gollop delivered an address. More than 1,000 boys and girls of the Jews' Free School attended the service. The girls were prettily dressed all in white. Mr. B. Cousin conducted the choir which was formed by the children. Dayan Gollop, in the course of his address, stressed the point that it was the mother who made the religion of the home. He congratulated the Jews' Free School, which he said, was one of the pioneers of the Confirmation Service for Girls. He presented the Certificates in Proficiency in Hebrew and Religion, signed by the Chief

The nine J.F.S. girls who were confirmed.
[JEWISH CHRONICLE Photo.

Rabbi, and the Misses Leah Titleboam and Sara Samuel to the following girls: Rene Isaacs, Annie Sinitsky, Annie Israelovitch, Sylvia Inwald, Jaffa Judah, Nettie Weinberg, Esther Freedman, Lily Davidson and Sadie Breger. Mr. Henry Van den Bergh presented to each girl, on behalf of the Wardens, a specially bound Singer's Prayer-Book. After the service, the girls and visitors were entertained to tea at the school. Mrs. S. Barling provided a birthday cake and Mr. Van den Bergh a large number of presents, in addition to providing tickets for the girls for the theatre.

Jewish Board of Guardians

Rise in Minimum Relief Scale

GERMAN REFUGEES OF BRITISH NATIONALITY

A meeting of the Jewish Board of Guardians was held on Monday at the offices, 127, Middlesex Street. Miss HANNAH F. COHEN, O.B.E., the President, was in the Chair.

Miss COHEN reported that the index figure as to the cost of living having gone up from 115, when the scale was fixed in May, 1933, to 125 on the 1st October, 1934, instructions had been given to the Relief Clerks that the minimum standard scale of relief be raised accordingly.

The PRESIDENT reported further payments made from the Board's funds in assisting refugees from Germany of British nationality. She said that the question now to be considered was whether these cases should continue to be dealt with by the Refugees Committee at Woburn House. She suggested that the Board should write to the Refugees Committee stating that while they were prepared to honour their bond and shoulder their responsibility in respect of the German refugees of British nationality, these cases must in future be dealt with at the offices of the Board.

After a discussion this was agreed to.

The Chairman read the following reply sent by the Executive Committee to the Board of Deputies in connection with the question of Professional Audits for Charities:

The accounts of the Jewish Board of Guardians are, and always have been, audited by professional auditors. The Executive of the Jewish Board of Guardians endorse the views expressed in the letter which appeared in THE JEWISH CHRONICLE of November 2nd, 1934, over the signature of the Chief Rabbi and others, and welcome the effort which is being made to ensure that the accounts of every Jewish Charity shall be submitted for professional audit. They consider that the accounts of individual charitable collections, such as balls, matinees, concerts, etc., ought to be treated in the same way.

The Board approved the Executive's reply.

Mr. A. J. Makower, at present a co-opted member of the Board, was elected to fill the vacancy on the Board caused by the death of the late Rev. J. F. Stern, and Mr. Henry Lyons was elected to the General Relief Committee.

THE REV. DR. I. COSGROVE delivered an address last week at the Poplar Presbyterian Church on the subject "Towards a better understanding beween the Christian and Jewish Communities."

MRS. H. L. NATHAN, J.P., has been nominated for appointment as a representative of the London County Council on the King's College Delegacy.

GERMANY

NAZI CULTURE

House of Cards Collapsing

PAINTERS AND MUSICIANS IN DISGRACE

It is estimated that some 2,000 people of "non-Aryan" origin have been deprived of their livelihood by the Reich Chamber of Culture, which is applying the "Aryan" principle ruthlessly. It may be remembered that there is actually no "Aryan" clause in the Chamber's constitution, but every one exercising a profession "connected with culture" must be a member of the appropriate occupational group of the Chamber, and this membership may be refused to an applicant who is neither "trustworthy" nor "suitable." Some 500 Jewish artists, sculptors and architects have received letters of rejection following a regular formula from the Reich Chamber of Plastic Arts. The effect of the rejection is to prevent the applicant earning his living by exhibiting and selling his works of art in public or practising as an architect. We understand that Eugen Shapiro is among those affected, and that he has lodged a complaint with the Reichsgericht at Leipzig on the ground that there is no basis in German law for the prohibition of creative work by private individuals. It is not yet clear whether Max Liebermann is affected. Two pictures by him found their way into a recent exhibition of "Masterpieces of Nordic Art" at Hamburg, and this raised a storm of protest culminating, we are informed, in legal proceedings against the organiser on a charge involving "the provocation of German sentiment." "Surely," wrote the ALEMANNE of Freiburg, "people should have learnt by now what constitutes a Jew. . . . If this happens in the second year of the Nazi revolution, what will things be like in 1944?"

The Press Chamber has extended its power of veto to wholesale newsagents, news-stand-keepers, street newspaper-sellers and circulation representatives. It is "a matter of course" that Jews are untrustworthy and unsuitable for the distribution of "precious National Socialist culture and ideas," but they have been granted permits to deal in purely Jewish publications. It is estimated that 1,500 Jews have been thrown out of work by this prohibition.

The precious National Socialist culture and ideas are now permeating popular literature such as romantic novels and thrillers. The following example occurs in a detective story by Ernst Rohden, entitled "Riddle at 23.9 Kilometres": "As long as the world has existed, countries, empires and races have been destroyed, and people have annihilated what others have built up. . . . Read the Talmud. What does it say? 'Go forth and subdue the peoples!' What the Talmud means by peoples is not Germany or France or Italy—not a modern State, but what we mean to-day by 'race.' The Talmud teaches the law of race—only one of which it recognises, that of the Jews. . . . The Talmud teaches destruction. The Talmud has made itself champion of the evil which existed since the beginning of the world in order to subjugate all races. Where nations, that is races, went under, the destructive cell was a Mosaic bacillus. . . . To be a Jew means to be a destroyer. The Jew gains by destruction. Jews have never helped in building up. Long ago I learnt the facts about the construction of this electric gun (the story refers to a mysterious ray-projecting apparatus). . . . I discovered that all these inventions are financed by Jewish money. Judah is behind them. . . . Judah finances many inventions of this ghastly weapon. Judah gives its money and holds all the strings in its hands. Judah rules . . . Judah is fomenting a war which will enslave all races. Judah is the great destroyer. Money is its power. Itself degenerate and incapable of performance, it harnesses the knowledge of other races to its chariot. By means of money it achieves its object, the fulfilment of the Talmudic teachings. Never has a Jew performed anything or produced anything of value. Whenever a Jew has aroused attention, he has always profited by the knowledge and culture of other races . . . ."

A number of non-party newspapers are at present sustaining a violent attack by the Nazi Press for having committed the indiscretion of reviewing some books by Jewish authors, as for instance, "The History of the Bible," by Rabbi Dr. Prinz, and "A Study of Ferdinand La Salle," by Dr. Cohen. The WAHRHEIT, the organ of Count Reventlow, demands the prohibition by law of any reviews of Jewish books in German newspapers. According to Reventlow, Jews should not be permitted to write in German at all, but, failing this, their works should at least be ignored in Germany. The well-known German authoress, Clara Viebig, has fallen into disgrace on account of the discovery that her husband is a baptised Jew named Cohn. The police have again visited a number of bookstores in Berlin and have confiscated books by Jewish authors such as the Zweigs, Hermann, Werfel, Brod and others.

Many musicians are in disgrace at present, and principal among them Paul Hindemith, the well-known composer and viola-player, who has been attacked in the official DIE MUSIK. The attack opened against his "cacophonous and culturally Bolshevist" music, but the reader was soon informed that Hindemith was "related to non-Aryans" and the matter was clinched as follows: "The fact that even after the Nazi revolution he allowed himself to record music together with two emigrant Jews clearly proves his vacillating character." As is now well-known, State Councillor Furtwängler, the Deputy-President of the Reich Chamber of Music, came to his defence with an article in the DEUTSCHE ALLGEMEINE ZEITUNG, in which he expressed himself concerned to bring up the whole question of interference by political zealots with artistic life. The article contains two sly digs at the President of the Chamber himself. Hindemith's texts, writes Dr. Furtwängler, are in no way more objectionable than that of Strauss's "Salome"; moreover, Hindemith is "too earnest to continue effete Wagnerian tradition, and he has been a pioneer in the return to simplicity and the reaction against pseudo-romanticism." Referring to the allegation that Hindemith made gramophone records with Jews, Dr. Furtwängler waved the charge aside with the statement that one of them was Herr Goldberg, "the distinguished first concert master of the Berlin Philharmonic Orchestra"; moreover, he wrote, the contract was entered into before Hitler came to power. Hindemith was also supported in a speech to the Berlin Chamber by Professor Dr. Havemann, of the Havemann concerts, who is a member of the Presidential Council of the Chamber.

He was also replied to (if not answered) in an article in the NS-KULTURGEMEINDE, which had launched the attack against Hindemith. It ran as follows: "In the D.A.Z. of November 25, 1934, Staatsrat Dr. Wilhelm Furtwängler published an article, 'The Hindemith Case.' We protest against the fact that the attack launched openly and honestly by the NS-KULTURGEMEINDE against Hindemith is belittled by the term 'from certain quarters' and is suspected as 'political denunciation.' Let Staatsrat Dr. Furtwängler be told in all plainness that an official statement of an organisation of the National-Socialist movement has nothing in common with political denunciation. We therefore repudiate with all means this attempt of Furtwängler's and of the DEUTSCHE ALLGEMEINE ZEITUNG to criticise the objective rejection of a culture-bolshevist with such methods. In the rejection of the composer Paul Hindemith by the NS-KULTURGEMEINDE the value or non-value of his present work is no point of discussion. Before the valuation of the work National-Socialism places the valuation of the personality."

The NATIONAL-ZEITUNG, of Essen, also published an attack on Dr. Furtwängler, whose Philharmonic Orchestra, it declared, has still not been completely cleared of Jews. "Simon Goldberg has, indeed, disappeared from his desk as first violin, and the Jew Schuster no longer plays first 'cello, but the Jew Graudan remains to carry on his dynasty. Furtwängler's programmes mostly contain the names of soloists of foreign origin. The fact that he feels bound to play the Violin Concerto of Mendelssohn, of all things, bears so obviously the stamp of provocation that the right answer will not fail to be duly given. . . . Furtwängler should at least show sufficient loyalty not to insult new Germany."

Even before the Hindemith incident it was known that Dr. Furtwängler was unhappy with his lot as emperor of a catastrophically collapsing Empire. Since the boycott of Germany by nearly

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GERMANY—*(Continued from previous page).*

all the world's greatest musicians, led by Toscanini, he had more and more resembled H. G. Wells's description of Napoleon—"a cockerel on a dung-hill." It was not surprising, therefore, when he chose the Hindemith issue to resign his vice-presidency of the Chamber of Music, conductorship of the Berlin Philharmonic Orchestra and directorship of the Berlin State Opera. Dr. Goebbels accepted the first two resignations and General Goering the latter. It is curious that Leo Blech, who is a Jew, still retains his appointment as conductor at the Opera. It was made by the Kaiser. In the absence of Dr. Furtwängler, no greater "draw" for the anniversary celebration of the Culture Chamber last week could be found than Dr. Peter Raabe, music director of Aachen. Dr. Robert Heger took his place at the opera to conduct Strauss's "Arabella." Dr. Furtwängler seems likely to go to Vienna. It has been known for some time that Clemens Krauss, the director of the Vienna State Opera, wished to go to Germany. Unlike Dr. Furtwängler, he is an ardent Nazi, and for that reason has lost popularity in Austria of late. An exchange therefore seems the obvious thing. Herr Krauss's claim to the Berlin post has been supported by Mme. Ursuleac, who created the rôle of Arabella at Covent Garden last season and who, together with him, was implicated in police action following Nazi-revolutionary events in Vienna. We now learn that the reward has been offered him and he has accepted Dr. Furtwängler's vacant throne in the Berlin State Opera.

Dr. Furtwängler's resignation was followed by those of Dr. Erich Kleiber of the Prussian State Opera House, Professor Knappertsbusch of the Munich Opera, and Herr Hindemith himself as Professor of the State Musical High School. General Goering refused to accept Dr. Kleiber's resignation, but Dr. Kleiber refused to conduct and the opera was temporarily under Herr Rothe, a conductor whose fame is certainly not international. No German newspaper, not even the FRANKFURTER ZEITUNG, has dared to regret these resignations or pay tribute to the work of the musicians concerned. For Germany, the builder of the mighty Berlin Philharmonic Orchestra passes into oblivion and no one dares to raise a voice. The most that has happened is that half the audience at a concert of the Orchestra asked for their money back when they were informed that Dr. Kleiber was not conducting. The money was refunded.

Addressing the Chamber, Dr. Goebbels tried to justify the crisis by saying "We insist on maintaining our Nazi character and opinions against the Jewish intellectual poison which has affected even artists of German race." Alfred Rosenberg also referred to the matter in the VOELKISCHER BEOBACHTER. "When a talented musician like Hindemith," he wrote, "after German beginnings, has lived and worked and felt himself at home for fourteen years in Jewish company; when he associates almost entirely with Jews; when he lends himself, in accordance with the spirit of the November Republic, to the worst kind of tawdry imitation of German music, then that is his own affair, but it gives others the right to shun him and his circle. A revolution has now removed the entire human, artistic and political associations of Herr Hindemith. . . . Yet he had every possibility of unhampered work in Germany. . . . It is deeply regrettable that so great an artist as Herr Furtwängler should have interfered in this dispute. But as he persisted in his nineteenth century ideas and evidently had no further sympathy with the great national struggle of our age, he took the consequences."

The speech of the Propaganda Minister drew an extraordinary telegram from Richard Strauss, who wired to Dr. Goebbels expressing "hearty congratulations and enthusiastic agreement with your splendid speech," and subscribed himself "in real veneration, Heil Hitler!" Yet this man once wrote "Till Eulenspiegel's Merry Pranks!"

Dr. Goebbels is also finding it difficult to justify the engagement at the Berlin Opera House of Jan Kiepura, the Polish tenor, whose mother is known to be a Jewess. The Nazi Press calls for the dismissal of this "Jew-bastard," perhaps fearing that the walls of the Opera House may crumble like the walls of Jericho at the vibrations of the Semitic throat, yet Kiepura continues to be so popular with the public that the other night he was surrounded in Unter den Linden on the way to the Opera House and forced to sing there and then. Perhaps, however, Dr. Goebbels's tolerance of this pollution of "Aryan" art finds some of its justification in the politically important German-Polish *rapprochement*.

Yet there can be no understanding of "Aryanism" by us poor Jews. Here are two more facts. Walter Damrosch, the well-known American conductor, is being eulogised in the German Press with special reference to his "German origin," in spite of the fact that his father was an orthodox *Ostjude* who settled in Posen some sixty years ago. Yet one of Berlin's most exclusive restaurants was recently invaded by uniformed Nazis, who removed the violinist, a celebrated musician, who was largely responsible for the fame of the resort, by force, declaring that he was a Jew.

The German cinema is still pervaded by the race theory. The BRAUNSCHWEIGER TAGESZEITUNG attacks Conrad Veidt for taking part in the film of "Jew Süss" and thus associating with a "clique of Jews and their protégés." The SCHLESISCHE ZEITUNG, of Breslau, recently published an attack on the "Hungarian Jew Adolf Zukor," the Director of the Paramount Film Company, for daring to consider the production of a film on Martin Luther. The Europa Film Company has issued a statement declaring that the actor Adolf Wahlbrueck will be at work again next year and that the news of his dismissal is incorrect. We learn, however, that what is actually true is, that as a result of efforts made on his behalf, the prohibition against his participation in the production of films on account of his "non-Aryan" origin has been cancelled.

In the theatre the Nazis are making full use for their anti-Jewish propaganda, of the celebrations of the 175th birthday of Schiller. Carefully chosen passages from his plays are used in the attempt to show that he was in favour of Nazi principles. In "The Robbers," which is being produced in many places, the worst type of robber is presented on the stage as an Eastern Jew in a long coat, speaking bad German.

THE ENGLISH PRESS

Jew-Persecution Denounced

STORIES FROM FRANKFORT AND OBERHESSE

"Judah, Get Out!"

The resignation of Dr. Furtwängler has received wide comment in the English Press, and some papers have coupled it with the dismissal of Herr Brückner, the Governor of Silesia. In a leading article, the MANCHESTER GUARDIAN said: "And if the state of German art, science, letters, music and philosophy, not to speak of politics and economics, is considered to-day, it will be seen that, great as is the damage done to Germany by the loss of so many of her most illustrious subjects, the damage done by the lack of principle, intelligence, and ability in those who have replaced them is even greater."

The specific issue of Jew-persecution is not forgotten, and we read in the OBSERVER: "With grim obstinacy the Nazis pursue their campaign against the Jews. They ignore the economic condition of the country and the terror of the approaching winter. The bankers are the only class of German Jew who so far and in the main have escaped persecution. The others are being indiscriminately eradicated from German commerce and the German professions: doctors, lawyers, civil servants, newsagents, sculptors, painters, architects. It is clear that German public opinion stands increasingly aghast at such folly. Even the Government is worried; but the Government's henchmen are beyond control."

The following letter appeared in the same paper: "Your Berlin correspondent states that 'great honour has been paid in all bookshop windows to the memory of Hauptmann's publisher, S. Fischer.' I am sorry to confess that I did not see any bookshop in Berlin doing so. No German paper, with the exception of the BERLINER TAGEBLATT and FRANKFURTER ZEITUNG, noticed the death of the greatest literary publisher Germany has had for the last fifty years. Gerhard Hauptmann and some younger authors followed his bearse, but no one official representative of the great Publishers' and Booksellers' Association (Börsenverein) attended his burial. And all this because Samuel Fischer was—a Jew. But his fame will be immortal: it was he who introduced Dostoievski, Tolstoi, Zola, Shaw, Hamsun, H. Bang, Björnson and Ibsen into Germany. He was the friend and publisher of G. Hauptmann, Thomas Mann, Wassermann, Hermann Hesse, R. Dehmel, Arthur Schnitzler, Hofmannsthal, etc.—Yours faithfully, 'A German,' Berlin."

The BAPTIST TIMES writes: "Some day the nation will realise how impossible it is to persecute the Jew and not to pay the penalty. To us it is amazing that a people so intelligent and humane should permit a small anti-Jewish minority to fool them into the belief that it can ever be good policy, to say nothing of humanity, to endeavour to exterminate a people because of their origin."

In the CHURCH TIMES, we read: "Meanwhile it is well for the outside world to realise that Jew-baiting in Germany continues as brutal as ever. It is, indeed, the hooligan's sport, and the police do nothing to curb the hooligan. A correspondent of the MANCHESTER GUARDIAN, recently in Germany, records incident after incident 'of the unbelievable barbarism to which, in the middle of the twentieth century, innocent men and women and children are exposed, their claim to humanity and justice forfeited, simply because they are Jews.' The Jews are defenceless. Nothing can be done for them. They must endure persecution 'so long as the Third Reich endures.'"

The "Paradise" of Frankfort

The article in the MANCHESTER GUARDIAN here referred to is of exceptional interest. It is one of two long articles by a recent visitor to Western Germany. It begins in the following words: "The visitor who seeks information in Frankfort-on-the-Main on the situation of the Jewish population is met with a continual assurance that Frankfort is 'a paradise'—with this significant reservation: it is a paradise in comparison with, say, Cologne or Nuremberg. The same assurance is heard in Hamburg or in Würzburg, that idyllic Franconian university town set amid vineyards . . . In recent months there has not been a single known case of maltreatment of Jews or of damage to Jewish shops and houses, apart from occasional scrawling on walls by young roughs, who do not even spare the Synagogues." The correspondent points out that the Jew is no longer alone in his unhappiness. "With the sharpened senses of the persecuted and expropriated, he perceives that the number of the privileged and pampered section who are admitted to full citizenship is steadily diminishing, and the number of those who stand outside that favoured circle or have been thrust out of it is steadily growing This discovery has brought him renewed confidence. In spite of all the anti-Semitic excesses, the cramping regulations and official chicanery, he no longer bows before the storm, he can lift his head again, he begins once more to feel that he is a member of a human community."

The Synagogue services impressed the writer enormously and he found growing self-confidence in public life. "The Jew goes now into the cafés and restaurants as a matter of course, as of old. More striking are the cases of recovered confidence in dealing with the authorities. The Jew is able to stand once more in quiet

dignity as a Jew before the official on whose decision some part of his fate depends. Still more significant, the Jewish lawyer has no hesitation in repelling an anti-Semitic outburst on the part of an 'Aryan' colleague with a refreshing energy and decision. The result has frequently been that a judge who would have allowed the demagogy of a National Socialist lawyer to pass without comment has remembered his duty and followed the Jew's manly self-defence by administering a rebuke later on."

The writer makes it clear that he is referring only to Frankfort, and that what he says must on no account be generalised. He proceeds: "The Jew to-day finds justice at the hands of the Frankfort courts. There are occasional exceptions, and striking ones, but they apply almost exclusively to the younger judges and lawyers, and they go to prove the rule. It is true that the Jew only goes into court when he knows that the justice of his cause is as clear as daylight. Then he is able once more to demand justice. I am assured by Jewish lawyers that for months past there have been no cases of deliberate twisting of the law to the disadvantage of Jews." This contention was denied by a writer in a subsequent issue of the GUARDIAN, who cited an instance of a Jewish shop assistant failing as recently as November 17th to obtain compensation for dismissal on the grounds of her "non-Aryan" origin. The correspondent concluded his article by referring to the enforced unemployment among the Jewish professional classes and the complete isolation of Jews from the rest of the population even in this "paradise." Dismissed Jewish lawyers are "reduced to administering estates and house property, to serving as legal consultants, and so on, and can scarcely keep their families from starving. No amount of capacity or legal knowledge will help them. They are reduced to pariahs in their profession. And they go into their shells. Some of them are ardent music-lovers; they go no more to concerts. They used to be active in the highly developed cultural life of their towns; now they are scarcely seen in public. The names of all the Jewish benefactors of the well-known cultural institutions of Frankfort have been removed from the memorial tablets. Without the active co-operation of her Jewish citizens Frankfort would have had no Senckenberg Museum, no Observatory, no University, no Stadium. In all this the Jews no longer exist. In opera and theatre no Jewish artist is any longer seen. Rare are the instances in which Jews and non-Jews can intermingle socially. The Jews are thrown back on themselves. Even in this city, this relative 'paradise,' there is once more a sort of ghetto, a rigid social segregation of the Israelitish population."

Unrelieved Misery in Oberhesse

The same correspondent's second article gives the other side of the picture—the unrelieved misery of the Jews of Oberhesse, an old anti-Semitic domain. "We were prepared," he writes, "to find here and there a placard at the main gate of a farm property prohibiting Jews from entering on pain of bodily ill-treatment, but of these placards we saw not one or two but hundreds. In the villages they are on almost every door; it is a matter of honour to flaunt them: . . . . Worse still is the warning that whole villages cry out in unison: 'Jews are forbidden to enter the village.' Really this might fairly be brought before a magistrate for the restraint of what amounts to a breach of the peace. But nobody dreams of doing so. This brutal outlawry of the Jews has become a commonplace in Oberhessen—the Jews themselves no longer take umbrage at it.

"They have worse things to endure. For how many Jewish families it is now an anxious moment when the father of the family lights the Sabbath lights. The window shutters are closed for safety, and in hundreds of cases stones rain upon them. Woe to anyone who ventures, not to protest—nobody any longer has the strength and the hardihood for that—but even to ask for some consideration to be shown. I know of a case in which a white-haired Jew, a man whose simple piety and warm humanity had earned him in the past the respect of the peasants among whom he lived, who begged for the uproar to be ended because his wife lay near to death. The reply came from a stone that struck him on the forehead amid a chorus of derision and obscenity. She died. When he had buried his life's companion the old Jew left everything as it stood, house and garden and all that was in them; his possessions had become worthless to him. He collected those few things that his heart still clung to, a few trifles of no interest to anybody else, closed the shutters over his windows, and walked out of the village—jeered at by the young men, slandered by the twenty-year hero of this tragedy, greeted with silent sympathy by an old peasant woman. He has never returned. There are hundreds of such exiles, wandering with the little remains of what they had in Frankfort; they have abandoned their homes because they cannot endure the malevolence and the humiliations to which they were exposed in their village. The programme of the young heroes is to allow them no peace until they disappear. I was told of one young fellow of this type, employed in some town, who went home to his parents on Saturdays. At home he amused himself with a shotgun, aiming through a hole in the roof of his father's house and breaking the windows of any Jews' houses that he could reach. The whole village knows all about it, but there is no police interference with the young wretch. Evidently none of the injured parties dares to make a complaint. They put up with it. The Jew in Oberhessen is every man's sport."

He points out that the authorities are well aware of all this, but they do nothing serious to stop it. "What," he asks, "do the school inspectors do to stop the brutality of a teacher who profanes the Bible lesson by using it to provide amusement for his class at the expense of a couple of Jewish children in their midst—letting them point and laugh at the little victims while he directs mocking remarks against venerable figures of the Old Testament, Abraham and Sarah, Noah before his daughters? What do the authorities do? It would be unjust to them to say 'Nothing.' Regulations are fluttering on all the walls, but they all reveal the cloven foot somewhere, and they are constantly ignored without the slightest action being taken against the offenders. They are a hypocritical mask behind which the inhuman scandal still goes on." He then refers to the official permission to trade with Jews and shows that it is in practice, as we have ourselves reported, a complete farce. No one dare trade with Jews. "It is plain that under such circumstances the Jew on the land must gradually starve, that in spite of the most rigid economies his last savings must soon be gone, and that then he and his family must leave, to become wandering beggars. It is to that end that anti-Semitism is working, and not only in Oberhessen. I heard a troop of young women singing a marching song in Frankfort with this lame refrain: 'Judah, get out! Once the soil is cleansed and free, Then, oh then, happy we'll be.'"

He concludes with the words already quoted by the CHURCH TIMES, words that we feel bound to repeat: "It is a bitter task to paint such pictures, but they are not in the least works of imagination; they are plain pictures, photographs, so to speak. It is bitter to realise that it is all beyond remedy, that day by day it continues without a word said; that the unhappy victims of National Socialist spitefulness are completely defenceless and that none can help, none can come forward to uphold their rights, so long as the Third Realm endures. It is bitter to realise that Oberhessen is no exceptional case but one of the most typical examples, a characteristic instance of the unbelievable barbarism to which in the middle of the twentieth century innocent men and women and children are exposed; their claim to humanity and justice forfeited *simply because they are Jews.*" The italics are ours and they are used because this is perhaps the first inescapable persecution in history. It is neither religious nor political; it is racial. Slow torture, with no escape this side of the grave.

Emigration

The Economic Advisory Bureau of the Palestine Emigration Office in Berlin has concluded an agreement with the American Economic Committee for Palestine in Tel-Aviv which provides for closer collaboration between the two institutions. The main purpose is to centralise the economic information service between Germany and Palestine.

The Reich Ministry of the Interior has given official sanction to the opening of a branch of the Zionist Emigration Office in Stettin.

Heinrich Stahl, the President of the Berlin Community, is visiting Palestine to explore the possibilities of placing further German Jewish scientists there, and to prepare the ground for the emigration of former professional workers who have undergone *Umschichtung* (re-training) for manual occupations.

New official figures show that there are now 26,158 people in Frankfort professing the Jewish religion out of a population of 555,857. This shows a decrease of nearly 4,000 since 1928.

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Commercial Road Talmud Torah

From Mr. JULIUS JUNG *(Secretary, Federation of Synagogues)*

To the Editor of THE JEWISH CHRONICLE

SIR,—Had Mr. Witte, the new President of the Commercial Road Talmud Torah, but taken heed of the wise adage not to rush into print before first carefully checking the facts and figures submitted to him, he might have saved me the trouble of proving that some of his sweeping statements were "terminological inexactitudes." Thus Mr. Witte challenges the correctness of my statement that many Synagogues objected to the admission of the Talmud Torah by simply declaring that they were non-existent. He is evidently a complete new-comer into communal life.

The Federation was founded in 1887 with twenty-one Synagogues, of which approximately half were in the very vicinity of Christian Street. By 1908, the time the Talmud Torah applied for admission, that number had greatly increased. Where such facts speak, further words are not wanted.

Mr. Witte asserts that immediately on taking over office at the Talmud Torah, he had acknowledged that £1,700 was still due to us. The only reply I can give is that when, some four months ago, he appeared before the Honorary Officers of the Federation with two of his colleagues in connection with the repayment of the outstanding loan and the appointment of additional guarantors, he definitely declared that he had been unable to make any arrangements for the repayment of this loan as he had so many matters to deal with, and that *he had only been informed two weeks ago of the very existence of this loan.* Need I say more?

The contributions that friends of the Talmud Torah have recently made for the express and exclusive purpose of reducing the loan, have not yet reached us. I note that the last balance-sheet has not yet been approved of by the members of the Commercial Road Talmud Torah, and that no reply was given to my question when exactly the mortgage on the building, amounting to £8,500, was created.

There is just one further point of principle on which we seem to disagree most fundamentally, and perhaps here the public will one day decide in a very clear fashion. It is the question whether guilty officials should be prosecuted, or merely allowed to resign with dignity and decorum, and take with them the money they have appropriated during their tenure of office. To my mind it is a much greater *Chillul Hashem* to hush matters up and allow the guilty people to go scot-free than to subject the wrong doer to the prosecution of the law of the land.

Mr. Weinstein, the President of the Ilford Synagogue, supports Mr. Witte in asking for fair treatment for the Commercial Road Talmud Torah. The ignorance this delegate to the General Council of the Federation evinces on the whole question, is most alarming. If Mr. Weinstein had made the slightest enquiries as to what exactly the Federation was asking for, he would never have sent his letter for publication. Had he attended the meetings of the General Council regularly he would have known all the salient facts of the case. We have continued to support the Talmud Torah throughout these years, and have been merely asking that the money we have advanced them be repaid and that the guarantors who have died be replaced.

Mr. Witte has indeed agreed to submit to us new guarantors but immediately nullified his own proposal by attaching to it the impossible condition that the Talmud Torah be granted an unqualified grace of five further years before renewing their repayments. I know that Mr. Weinstein in his own Synagogue rightly insists that the loan that has been advanced is repaid regularly, and can only assume that he had all his facts mixed up when sending his communication to the Press.

I am, &c.,

JULIUS JUNG.

64, Leman Street, E.1.

From Mr. SAMUEL WITTE *(President).*

To the Editor of THE JEWISH CHRONICLE

SIR,—In last week's issue of your journal, Mr. Weinstein, who describes himself as a President of a Federated Synagogue and a delegate to the Federation of Synagogues, has set a courageous example which should be followed by colleagues in similar offices, for the Federation are putting all possible obstacles in the way of the present Officers and Committee of the Commercial Road Talmud Torah, who otherwise have succeeded in saving the situation.

The time has arrived when the opinion of all Presidents of Federated Synagogues and of all Federation Delegates is being put to the test. Will the Hon. Officers of the Federation be allowed to carry out their threats to issue writs against the Officers of the Talmud Torah?

It may be interesting to inform your readers that after a lengthy correspondence the Hon. Officers of the Federation agreed to meet our Officers to settle finally the question of this outstanding loan. The meeting was fixed to take place on Thursday, the 6th inst., at 9 p.m.

At the appointed time we arrived at the offices of the Federation, and after having been kept waiting for almost an hour, we were called into the Committee Room. Before we had a chance to say "good-evening," Mr. Davis started out in a most unfriendly tone: "Good-evening, what is it you want, and what did you come here for?" As President and spokesman of the Talmud Torah, I replied: "You have invited us here and you know the object of this meeting." Mr. Davis, again in a most unfriendly and abrupt manner, said: "We have not invited you, or asked you to call here." I replied: "We have come here to settle certain questions with regard to this outstanding loan. I have £100 which my Committee were good enough to advance, and will hand this over. But owing to the threatening attitude you have adopted the gentlemen who have promised to stand as additional guarantors for the balance of the loan are now hesitating." To this we received a sharp answer from Mr. Davis: "If that is the case, you may as well leave as you entered, and good-night." Thus we departed.

Never did we anticipate their taking up such an attitude, considering that I and my Committee have recognised this loan. We have accepted liability, we offered to reduce it immediately by £100. The only favour we did ask was for sufficient period of grace for further repayment to enable us to put the Institution on its feet again. Similar conditions were obtained from banks, and even from non-Jewish creditors. After all, the Federation of Synagogues is a public body, deriving its funds from the Jewish Community. We now publicly appeal to the Board of the Federation of Synagogues not to allow their Hon. Officers to carry out their threat to issue writs. And we appeal also to all Presidents of Federated Synagogues, taking into consideration that well over 400 poor Jewish children are educated by us and given economic assistance, to see that we be left in peace for a sufficient period of time. Forget the past, and give us the opportunity to devote all our energies to putting our house in perfect order.

In conclusion, I repeat again I hope that all delegates of the Federation and every member of the Jewish Community will follow Mr. Weinstein's courageous example and publicly voice their protests against the treatment of the Commercial Road Talmud Torah by the Hon. Officers of the Federation of Synagogues.

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Dayan Feldman's Presidential Address

BRIXTON LITERARY SOCIETY

Dayan Dr. A. Feldman delivered his Presidential Address on Sunday evening to the members of the Brixton Jewish Literary and Social Society in the Synagogue Memorial Hall, Effra Road. Mr. H. N. KRAM, Chairman of the Society, extended a welcome to Dayan Feldman.

Dayan FELDMAN spoke of his long association with the Brixton Congregation and said that they catered there for all sections of the Congregation. He understood that they had recently arranged club nights for young people in the adjoining rooms. He hoped that the young people would take advantage of these club nights and come there to meet their elders and allow their elders to learn about them. He hoped, too, that the elders would do their part of the work and meet the younger people there and encourage them. So long as they maintained the interest of the young they would maintain and increase their strength.

After thanking the Society for having elected him President for the year, Dr. Feldman read a paper on "Some Aspects of Jewish Observance," and gave many examples of the ideas underlying Jewish observance and stated that the poetic expounders of Jewish observance saw in many of their rites and ceremonies the reflection of leading national characteristics. Among the national characteristics which stood high in Jewish life and ethics, was consideration for their fellow-men. This was inculcated through Jewish ceremonial observance as was also the principle of equality of all human beings in the sight of God. The ideal of peace was another cardinal principle of Jewish teaching reflected in many a Jewish rite. This great Jewish ideal, as was well known, illumined almost every page of their liturgy. In conclusion, Dr. Feldman said that the more they studied the history of the religious and poetic ideas underlying Jewish observance, the more they would be inclined to keep them themselves and make them attractive to their children. In that Synagogue, thanks to their religious guide, Rabbi Mishcon, this aspect had been kept prominently before them. That was why the Brixton Congregation was a live Congregation.

On the motion of Mr. EDGAR ISRAEL, seconded by Mr. VICTOR MISHCON, thanks were accorded to Dayan Feldman for his instructive address. An appeal was made for increased membership of the Society. The Hon. Secretary is Miss Muriel L. Bennett, 272, Green Lane, Norbury. Following the meeting, a Grand Operatic Concert was given by the British Grand Opera Society under the direction of Mr. David Levine.

Hambro' Synagogue

RESOLUTIONS PROTESTING AGAINST CLOSURE

The following resolutions were adopted at a general meeting of the seatholders of the Hambro' Synagogue held on Sunday last:

That this meeting of the seatholders of the Hambro' Synagogue, representing the Hambro' Congregation, do hereby place on record their unanimous protest against the determined action of the Honorary Officers of the United Synagogue to close this synagogue.

That this meeting further authorises the Honorary Officers of the Hambro' Synagogue not to entertain any idea of amalgamation, in any form whatsoever, which would deprive the Hambro' Synagogue of its rightful place as the second constituent synagogue of the United Synagogue.

Literary and Social Societies

A "Palestine Evening" will be held by the Victoria and Chelsea Social and Literary Society next Sunday at eight o'clock, at the Communal Hall, Smith Terrace.

Last week, at a meeting of the Harcourt Social and Literary Club, held at 29, Stamford Hill, N., Mrs. G. Archibald delivered an address on "The Psychology of the Child" and the work being done by Child Guidance Clinics in London. Messrs. D. Blumenfeld, D. Phillips, S. Harris, M. Bowman, H. Evans and Greenspan took part in the discussion. Thanks were accorded to the lecturer by Mr. S. Silstone (who presided), seconded by Mr. M. Bowman.

THE Schweich Lectures on Biblical Archaeology were given last week in the Rooms of the British Academy, Burlington Gardens, W., by Professor Ernst Herzfeld, Director of Antiquities, Persia, on "The Archaeological History of Iran."

Friendly Societies

Workers' Circle Friendly Society

TWENTY-FIFTH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

[*From our Correspondent*]

The Workers' Circle is entitled to be proud of its progress. This week it signalises its twenty-five years' work by an "All-London Circle Week," and its claims for increased support will be brought to the notice of Jewish workers. Founded by five Trade Unionists in 1909, the Circle now has 3,000 members in London, Leeds, Liverpool, Glasgow, Manchester and Cardiff, and may be regarded as one of the major Jewish working-class organisations.

Its general object is to combine ordinary Friendly Society work with that of educational activities, and in the latter aspect is closely allied with the Trade Union and Co-operative movement. The Circle has numerous clubs where educational and social activities are carried on under a planned curriculum. At the same time, a school teaches children Yiddish, Jewish history and choral work. There is a Rest Home at Littlehampton, recently purchased for convalescent members; and, like the Orders, women's, junior and National Health Insurance sections form part of the Circle's organisation.

For reasons which are not apparent on the surface, the Workers' Circle has kept itself apart from other Jewish Friendly Societies, an estrangement which does not seem to have any basis in the Circle's constitution. Although it has a more pronounced working-class outlook, it definitely claims that it is not bound to any particular political party and that it welcomes non-manual workers. Running on parallel lines, its work should bring it more closely in unison with the movement as a whole, and a formal alliance may well be entertained.

CARDIFF BRANCH.—Bro. J. Danovitch presided at the third quarterly general meeting which was held at the Isaac Samuel Memorial Buildings, Cardiff. The accounts were presented by Bro. H. Roden, Treasurer; and Bro. I. Z. Grunfield, A.S.A.A., the Hon. Accountant, reported on the audit. The Branch voted donations for the naming of a bed and the purchase of furniture at the Convalescent Home at Littlehampton.

Ancient Order of Foresters

Bro. L. A. Dight presided at the Diamond Jubilee Banquet held by the Court "Jacob's Pride" at the Edgbaston Assembly Rooms, Birmingham. The toast to the Ancient Order of Foresters was proposed by Councillor Dr. L. Glass, the only Jewish representative on the Birmingham City Council, who traced the history of the Order and praised its beneficial work for the masses. Bro. Ernest Shaw, High Chief Ranger of the Order, responded. Bro. L. H. Drapkin proposed the Birmingham Midland District, to which Bros. A. Cureton, District Sub-Chief Ranger, and E. M. Spafford, District Secretary, responded. The principal toast to the Court "Jacob's Pride" was submitted by the Rev. Dr. A. Cohen, who congraulated the Court on behalf of the Birmingham Hebrew Congregation. The Court's spirit of enthusiastic service and strong financial position gave it an envied place in the Foresters. The Friendly Society movement helped its members to become steady and responsible members of the Community and taught them to understand the value of service to others. Dr. Cohen proceeded to refer to the high compliment the Court had received by the presence among them of the High Chief Ranger who had expounded the principle that all Friendly Societies stood for the common purposes of humanity. What the world needed more than anything else at the present time was the watchword for which the Ancient Order of Foresters stood, *viz.*, "Unity, Brotherhood and Concord." In their celebration that evening Christians and Jews were one. In his reply to the toast, Bro. L. A. Dight paid a tribute to all the old workers of the Court, in which incidentally his late father, Bro. M. L. Dight, had been one of the first workers. The actual founder was the late Montague Harris Jacobs, whose father (Andrew Jacobs) was a former President of the Birmingham Hebrew Congregation. Thanks were accorded to Bros. E. Witton and Hyman Jarvis who had acted as Chairman and Secretary respectively of the organising committee responsible for the function. Particulars of the Court will be supplied on application to Bro. H. Jarvis, 198, Alcester Road, Moseley, Birmingham.

Order Shield of David

Miss L. Hands lectured on "The Legal Position of the Jewess" to the Leah Jacobs and Sadie Sugarman Lodges, and was thanked on the motion of Bro. A. J. Jacobs, Past Grand President, seconded by Sister Smith, President of the Sadie Sugarman Lodge. Sister Fox presided. Members of the two Lodges were recently conducted over the Houses of Parliament by Mr. Barnett Janner, M.P.

Bro. Jack Goldberg, Grand President, Order Shield of David

In a few weeks Bro. Goldberg will cease to be Grand President and will assume the post of second in command of the Grand Order of Israel and Shield of David. One of the principal protagonists for this amalgamation, he willingly undertook the heavy responsibilities entailed by this task and deserves the thanks of the Order Shield of David for his unremitting and devoted labours. He first became associated with that Order when, after his release from Germany, where he was a prisoner of war, he was associated with the founding of the Stamford Hill Lodge. Representing his Lodge at the Grand Lodge for several years, he was elected Grand Vice-President in 1931 and secured an unopposed election to the Chair in the following year. Always an eloquent advocate of unity in the movement, the negotiations for amalgamation secured his valuable support and their success was in large measure due to his unwavering loyalty. He represents his Order at the Deputies and the Association, and is also prominently associated with communal and political work in North London.

The Essentials of Chazanut

A Talk with Cantor Berele Chagy

RECITAL BY FAMOUS CHAZAN

Taking advantage of a visit to England, from South Africa, of Cantor Berele Chagy—one of the greatest of living Chazanim, widely known from the many gramophone records he has made—a Chanucah service and recital were arranged on Saturday evening by Mr. M. Susman, at the Pavilion Theatre, Mile End. A choir, directed by Mr. J. Marcus and Mr. M. Moser, assisted. After an interval the Cantor gave a selection of folk-songs and Chazanut.

CANTOR BERELE CHAGY

It is in his Chazanut that Cantor Chagy gives of his best, for in it he displays not only his magnificent tenor voice but an interpretation both enlightening and moving of the Synagogue prayers. This reached its height in the *Hashkivenu* of the *Maariv*, and a representative of THE JEWISH CHRONICLE, who later asked the Chazan the name of the composer, was interested to learn that it was an improvisation. The purity of tone in the middle range of the voice is remarkable and its clarity and lack of *vibrato* are attributes to be thankful for. Among the items in the second half of the recital were *Habet Mishomaim* and *Mi Sh'oso Nissim* (composed by the Chazan), *Ner Tomid* (Medvedeff), An Arabian Song (Engel), *Ovinu Malchenu* (Mona Zukor) and a lighter and very artistically rendered tit-bit, *Ni't ahin und Ni't aher*, by Nachum Yud (being a parody on a Russian folk tune).

Cantor Chagy (writes the JEWISH CHRONICLE representative) has spent twenty years in America. In the United States, he told me in the course of a chat, there are to-day quite fifty native-born Chazanim—a number of whom were trained by him. These had proved themselves as capable of a high standard of Chazanut as their European colleagues. Some of them, he regretted, showed an increasing tendency to incorporate non-Jewish musical themes into their services, but this habit of borrowing music other than the traditional music of the Synagogue was no less rife among foreign-born Cantors. Every prayer, insisted Cantor Chagy, needed its individual interpretation in the spirit of traditional Chazanut, and he could excuse no assimilation of non-Jewish themes.

With regard to Hebrew diction—in which respect Cantor Chagy showed on Saturday that he excelled—he mentioned the astonishing fact that till he was about twenty he could not pronounce the *lamed* at all, but by dint of study he surmounted this and other defects and achieved his present clarity of diction. The gift of improvisation, which is possessed in a high degree by but few Chazanim, is, in the opinion of the Cantor, innate and cannot often be acquired. He finds that the atmosphere of the house of worship inspires him to improvise in a way that he cannot do when outside the Synagogue.

Asked for some particulars of his career, Cantor Chagy said he was born in Dagda, Latvia, forty-two years ago. He made his first appearance in the capacity of Chazan at the Dvinsk Beth Hamedrash when only eight years old. At sixteen he began his career and was for three-and-a-half years at Smolensk. Then he went to America and for twenty years served congregations in Detroit, Boston, Newark and New York. For the past two-and-a-half years he has been Cantor at the Beth Hamedrash Hagodol in Johannesburg, South Africa, which seats 1,800 worshippers. He has continued his own musical education and training in each country. He has made forty-eight records for "Columbia" and fourteen for "His Master's Voice."

Cantor Chagy's Jewish interests extend beyond Chazanut to Jewish movements and Jewish culture—an interesting instance of this being his encouragement of the Yiddish poet David Fram, with whom he has come here from South Africa and whose acclamation by the Jewish world he is very anxious to see.

London Jewish Hospital

At a recent meeting of the Council of Management, the following appointments were approved: Mr. M. F. Nicholls (Assistant Surgeon to St. George's Hospital) to the office of Honorary Surgeon; Dr. V. G. Peckar, Dr. H. Nussbaum and Dr. G. Wolff as Resident Medical Officer and House Physician, House Surgeon and Casualty Officer respectively. It was recorded that the bed named by Mr. John Altman, in memory of his wife, was consecrated by the Revs. M. Brockman and M. Zeffertt.

In the course of a discussion on the annual income, it was emphasised that a large proportion of the Community did not support the Hospital. As a result, it was decided to appoint (1) a Propaganda Committee and (2) a Publicity Committee, with the object of making the work of the Hospital and its needs better known.

Mesdames H. C. Marks and Maurice Monbiot were co-opted as members of the After-Care Committee. Among the gifts recorded was one from Queen Mary's London Needlework Guild, consisting of garments for needy patients, through the recommendation of Mrs. Edward Higham. Miss M. Galinsky and the Rev. M. Zeffertt were elected Honorary Life Governors in consideration of their honorary services to the Hospital.

It was reported that since the beginning of the year 1,429 in-patients had been admitted to the wards, and that during that period out-patient attendances had numbered 71,875.

HENDON SYNAGOGUE

A PUBLIC MEETING

will be held on

SUNDAY, 16th DECEMBER, 1934, at 11 a.m. prompt,

at the

Ambassadors Cinema Hall, Hendon Central

to inaugurate the scheme of building of the new Synagogue in Raleigh Close, as a Constituent of the United Synagogue.

Sir ROBERT WALEY COHEN, K.B.E., Vice-President of the United Synagogue, will address the meeting, and plans of the new building will be on view.

All residents of Hendon and adjacent districts are cordially welcomed.

The Palestine Movement

Palestine and the Jewish Problem

PROFESSOR BRODETSKY AT TWICKENHAM

Professor S. Brodetsky spoke at a meeting of the Thames Valley and Richmond Ladies' Zionist Society on Tuesday evening at Trevelyan House, Arlington Road, Twickenham Park (the residence of Mr. and Mrs. S. Lewis). Mrs. S. Wiseman, the President of the Society, presided.

Dr. Brodetsky first spoke of the extensive Hebrew life going on in Palestine to-day, then referred to the situation of Jewry in Central Europe and said that he disagreed with the view that there could not be any relation between Palestine and the Jewish problem. They could not divorce Palestine from the Jewish problem, firstly because the enthusiasm put into it was directly as a consequence of the Jewish problem and secondly, so far as Palestine itself was concerned, they were continually being faced with the question: how many Jews can Palestine take? He frankly did not know how many. He did know that Palestine could take many more than they thought possible a few years ago. A few weeks ago 7,500 immigration certificates were granted for six months and they all agreed that that was too little, because Palestine needed more people. The Huleh concession was something to be optimistic about. Being optimistic did not mean that everything was good. The problems grew with their work. The most serious problem was their very existence in Palestine, he meant the opposition to them from various quarters. He thought that they should be pleased that the opposition was based upon their success instead of their failure. Financial circles all over the world, declared Professor Brodetsky, were now interested in Palestine because of the success and the achievement. Palestine had become a part of modern civilised life, because of the tremendous progress that had been made there. Syria was now asking for Jews to come and settle there. They had looked across the border and seen the successful development of Palestine. It was the old story: let the Jews come along, develop the country until an "Aryan" clause was established. Transjordania, too, was asking for Jews. There were indications in Palestine of a changed attitude on the part of the Arabs. They were beginning to understand that their problem would not be solved by getting rid of the Jews, nor were the Jews desirous of getting rid of the Arabs.

Agency Administrative Committee Meeting

[COMMUNICATED]

The Central Office of the Jewish Agency announces the following:

The Executive, after consultation with the Chairman of the Council and the Chairman of the Administrative Committee of the Agency, have decided to convene a meeting of the Administrative Committee in New York on the 31st December. The convening of this meeting is in part due to the necessity under the constitution for holding a meeting and in part due to the expressed wish of prominent members of the Administrative Committee resident in New York.

Firstly, it is thought desirable to place before the Committee the work and policy of the Agency Executive and to obtain for them support and approval. A further object of the meeting will be to strengthen the non-Zionist section of the Agency in America and elsewhere.

We are confident that these discussions will be conducive to the efficient work of the Agency and the harmonious co-operation of its component parts. Constitutional questions will not be raised. The meeting will be devoted to political, financial, immigration and colonisation problems.

Poale Zion in Private Conference

PEACE PACT DISCUSSED

We learn that a confidential session of the Party Council of the Poale Zion World Organisation has been held in Warsaw, attended by a number of delegates from abroad.

The discussion turned chiefly on a written report submitted by Mr. Berl Locker, member of the Zionist Executive, dealing with the present situation in the Zionist Movement, and the Peace Pact concluded between the Zionist Executive and the World Union of Zionist Revisionists.

The Council adopted secret resolutions which have been forwarded to the Palestine Labour Party. The resolutions, it is stated, set out in detail the attitude of the Party Council with regard to the provisions contained in the Peace Pact. They are said to specify several reservations in this regard. Some of the Warsaw papers report that the meeting has accepted the agreement with the Revisionists, on condition that the liberty to strike of the Palestine workers is retained, but local Poale Zion circles have informed the *Jewish Telegraphic Agency* that none of these versions accords with the facts.

United Shekel Committee

APPEAL FOR SUPPORT

The United Shekel Committee has issued an appeal to Zionists over the signatures of Lord Melchett, Professor S. Brodetsky and the Rev. J. K. Goldbloom. The appeal states:

We appeal to every Jew and Jewess throughout the British Isles to enrol as members of the Zionist Organisation by purchasing the Shekel - the symbol of taxation of Biblical times, revived by Dr. Herzl at the First Zionist Congress in Basle in 1897, as the symbol of unity of our people.

In the Summer of 5695, the 19th Zionist Congress will assemble. That Congress must consolidate the Zionist Movement into a united front determined to accelerate the pace of Jewish colonisation in Palestine. The Congress will be encouraged into a sound and constructive path if it is made aware that it represents the wishes of the overwhelming majority of the Jewish people throughout the world. It is, therefore, the clear duty of every Jew and Jewess to buy a Shekel, especially in this Congress Year, so that they may have the privilege of voting for delegates to the nineteenth Zionist Congress. And every Jew and Jewess in this country should buy a Shekel in order to ensure that Anglo-Jewry should have an influential delegation at this Congress, in order to register its will for the rebuilding of Erétz Yisrael and for unity in the ranks of the Zionist Movement and of the Jewish people.

"Our Children"

The Jewish National Fund has issued a brochure entitled "Our Children and the Land of Our Fathers," in which a proposal is set forth for a "Children's Register" (Sefer Hayeled). It is hoped that the important dates in the lives of Jewish children will be recorded in this book which will be kept in Jerusalem. Each registration is to be accompanied by a donation of at least £2 for the purpose of redeeming land in Eretz Israel. Reproduced above is a reduced facsimile of the Certificate to be issued in this connection.

Palestine Movement Activities

HACKNEY—A social gathering was held on Saturday evening under the auspices of the Women's Zionist Society at the South Hackney Synagogue Hall. The Rev. S. Blachman kindled the Chanucah lights. Mr. Janus Cohen presided. The Rev. Barnett Joseph and Mrs. Janus Cohen addressed the gathering.

A Men's Zionist Society is in the process of being formed in Hackney, and those interested are kindly asked to communicate with the Minister at the Synagogue.

YOUNG SINAISTS—Recently, the Society held a joint *M'lave Malke* with the Chevra Ben Zakkai, at 22, Buxton Street, E. The gathering was addressed by Rabbi Dr. S. Schonfeld. Last week, Dr. E. Bernstein delivered a lantern lecture to the Society. Mr. S. Kriteman presided. The Hebrew class of the Society which is conducted by Rabbi S. Sperber, is now held at the Beth Hamidrash, Mulberry Street, E., on Tuesday evenings from 8.30. The Jewish History class will soon commence a course in Anglo-Jewish History which will be conducted by the Rev. J. Halpern.

ASSOCIATION OF YOUNG ZIONIST SOCIETIES—The Association is continuing its policy of arranging inter-debates with non-Zionist organisations, and in addition has taken part in such inter-functions as the Palestine Parliament organised by the Union of Young Israel Societies on the Legislative Council, and the Symposium organised by the League of Jewish Youth on "Whither Jewish Youth?"

UNIVERSITY OF LONDON—A meeting was held in the Rose Hertz Hall of the Jewish Communal Centre recently, under the auspices of the Zionist Society. An address was given by Professor Samson Wright on "Present Problems in Palestine."

YOUNG MIZRACHI—A meeting of the Constituent Societies of the Organisation was held at the Montague Road Synagogue Hall last Sunday. Mr. S. Turner, Secretary of the Jewish National Fund East London Bazaar, delivered an address, in the course of which he outlined the work of the Jewish National Fund.

FEDERATION OF WOMEN ZIONISTS—The Chanucah Party organised by the Federation was held on Sunday last at 5, Addison Road, W., the residence of Mrs. H. Sacher. The Rev. Ephraim Levine addressed the children. Later there was entertainment by Mr. F. Landau, with toys, games and a tea. A juvenile orchestra supplied music.

KEREN HAYISHUV—A meeting in support of the Orthodox Palestine Fund was held recently at the Ciro Ballrooms. Mr. H. A. Goodman presided. The Chairman explained that the work of the Keren Hayishuv was to help in the emigration to and settlement in Palestine of Orthodox Chalutzim from Germany, Eastern Europe and also from this country.

NORTH LONDON—A drawing room meeting of the Women's Zionist Society was held at the residence of Mrs. N. Lazarus, 65, Cazenove Road, N. An address was given by Mr. N. Lazarus. New members were enrolled and forthcoming activities were arranged.

MANCHESTER—Mr. A. Rubinstein addressed the University Zionist Society on "Current Topics in Zionism," at the Central Synagogue Rooms, Heywood Street, Cheetham, recently. Mr. R. Shoulman presided.

Last week the Higher Broughton Young Zionist Society debated with the Young Hasmoneans (West Didsbury) at the Higher Broughton Synagogue Rooms on the proposition "That Assimilation is the only hope of the Jewish people." Rabbi Dr. S. M. Lehrman presided.

The Daughters of Zion held their annual meeting and Chanucah Social last week at the Deansgate Café. Mrs. H. Matz presided. The Chanucah lights were kindled by Masters Hershman, sons of Cantor S. Hershman. Mrs. Matz gave a résumé of the year's activities. The balance-sheet was adopted. The Executive was re-elected as follows: Mesdames R. Blond, President; H. Matz, M. Cohen and W. Chadwich, Vice-Presidents; M. Sherman, Hon. Treasurer; J. M. Shaftesley, Hon. Secretary. Four new members were co-opted on to the Committee and several new members of the Society were enrolled.

Under the auspices of the Zionist Central Council Propaganda Committee, the Rev. B. Fertleman delivered an address on Sunday at the Holy Law Synagogue, Bury Old Road, Sedgley Park, on "Jewry To-day." Mr. I. Sunlight presided.

A meeting of the newly-formed Cheetham and District Zionist Society was held last week at the Shechita Board Rooms, 149, Cheetham Hill Road. Mr. A. Solomon spoke on "The History and Meaning of Chanucah." Mr. A. Rubinstein was in the Chair.

At a meeting of the Tarbut Society held on Sunday at Maccabean House, 139, Cheetham Hill Road, Mr. M. Schrager delivered an address.

LEEDS—The Annual Re-union of members of the Zionist Synagogue, took place last week, at the Synagogue Chambers, Brunswick Street. The President, Mr. Maurice Abrahams was in the chair. The principal speakers were Professor S. Brodetsky and the Rev. Dr. J. Abelson. The Chairman reviewed the past year's activities of the Synagogue and its Institute.

A mass meeting will be held in connection with Hebrew Week on Sunday next, at 7.30 p.m., in the New Synagogue, Chapeltown road. Professor A. S. Yahuda and Mr. G. J. Webber will address the meeting, supported by local speakers. The Chair will be occupied by Sir Montague Burton, J.P.

Mr. A. M. Hurwitz gave the first of a series of lectures on "Jewish Literature—Ancient, Medieval and Modern," under the auspices of the Zionist Society last week. Mr. R. Powell presided.

LIVERPOOL—The University Zionist Society met at 26, Croxteth Road on Friday last. Mr. B. Cherrick presided. Papers were delivered by Mr. N. Segal on "The Work of Baron E. de Rothschild in Palestine," and by Miss J. Newman on "Nahum Sokolow." Mr. S. D. Temkin was elected Assistant Librarian.

BIRMINGHAM—The Annual Meeting of the Women's Zionist Society was held last Sunday at 160, Pershore Road. Mrs. S. A. Cohen was in the Chair. After the President's Report of the year's working was adopted, the Balance-sheet was presented by Mrs. B. Hyman, the Honorary Treasurer, and approved. The following were elected: Mesdames S. A. Cohen, President; A. Cohen, Vice-President; B. Hyman, Treasurer; and Miss M. Lotheim, 37, York Road, Edgbaston, Hon. Secretary; and a Committee.

CARDIFF—Under the auspices of the Young Zionist Society (Ziona) a sale of work will be held at the Windsor Place Assembly Hall on Sunday next, at 3.30 p.m. Lady David Morgan will preside and Mrs. F. Blumberg, of Manchester, will be the opener. A one-act play, "O.H.M.S.," will be performed by the members of the Society, under Miss Rae Hauser, President.

NEWCASTLE—Mr. S. Phillips has recently addressed three non-Jewish bodies, the Blake House Settlement, the Wesley Guild of the Brunswick Methodist Church and the Gosforth Adult School, on the subject of Palestine. He is shortly to address the Kingsley Terrace Methodist Church on the same subject.

HULL—A lecture on "The Jewish Problem and Palestine" was delivered to the Zionist Society by Mr. Henry Harris, of London, at the Metropole Hall last week. Mr. H. M. Bentley presided. A meeting of the Palestine Women and Children's Welfare Society was held recently in the Western Synagogue Chambers, Mrs. Norman Goldstone presiding.

DERBY—A debate "That Zionism is the only Solution to the Jewish Problem," was held at the Derby Maccs. Institute recently. Miss E. Levy proposed the motion, with Mr. P. Levy opposing. Mr. R. B. Ginese was in the Chair.

DUBLIN—A lecture on "Achad Ha'am—his life and works" was delivered to the members of the Young Mizrachi on Friday last at Zion School by Dr. E. Teller (Talmud Torah). Miss J. Z. Rubinstein presided.

Palestine Movement News Items

THE Zionist ZSIDO SZEMLE ("Jewish Review"), of Budapest published an article by Dr. Nison Kahan, for the 20th anniversary of the death of David Wolffsohn, Herzl's friend and his successor as leader of the Zionist Movement.

A BIG CAMPAIGN for the Jewish National Fund will be launched in South Africa early in January, under the auspices of the South African Zionist Federation. An important delegation is to go to South Africa to head the campaign.

THE twenty-fourth Dominion Convention of the Canadian Zionist Organisation will be held in Toronto on January 20th and 21st, 1935. As this will be the first Convention since 1932, it is anticipated that a large gathering from all parts of Canada will be present.

THE Conference of the National Labour Committee for Palestine was held recently in New York. It was decided to start a campaign to raise a quarter-of-a-million dollars for the work. A resolution has been adopted in support of the Palestine Labour Federation, Histadruth.

DR. GEORGE LANDAUER, Secretary of the Central Bureau for the Settlement of German Jews in Palestine, and Dr. Martin Rosenblueth, Head of the London Office, are visiting New York to speak at mass meetings to explain the work of the Bureau.

THE POLISH AMBASSADOR, COUNT RACZYNSKI, has received a delegation of the Federation of Jewish Relief Organisations in Great Britain, and also a delegation of the Federation of Polish Jews in Great Britain, the latter headed by Mr. William Wolf, the Chairman.

"The Hebrew Revival"

From Mr. JACOB HODESS

To the Editor of THE JEWISH CHRONICLE

SIR,—What has happened to "Watchman's" sense of humour? Did it catch a mortal chill on leaving the crowded meeting in Hebrew Week, or has it been destroyed by the overpowering love for Hebrew? But even if his sense of humour has deserted him temporarily, one hopes ordinary common-sense should have saved him from heaping hatred and curses upon the poor sister language of Hebrew. After all, he addresses his audience from an armchair and not from the market-place.

Even if one does hate something with every fibre of one's being, something dear and near to the hearts of millions of fellow-Jews, it is hardly the thing to proclaim that hatred. Common decency demands that when one speaks of a language which has "a great literature, passionate and witty," a measure of respect should be accorded to it; and when that language and its "great literature" happen to reflect the life of the multitude of one's people, to mirror the sorrow of many periods, and to reflect varying phases of Jewish life in many countries, it is not very chivalrous to pounce upon it in the crude manner in which "Watchman" did. Does he imagine that he pleases Hebrew by hurling the taunt at her sister Yiddish that it was born on foreign soil, that it is a language of the Ghetto or of the *Galut*? Which language has kept Hebrew alive through several centuries? Was it any of such *Galut* languages as Spanish, Dutch, French, German, English—or Yiddish? Was it not Yiddish that nursed and nourished Hebrew, preserving not only its very alphabet in daily life, but absorbing the soul and spirit, the untranslatable Hebrew idiom in its language? Was it any other language of the *Galut* than the one he hates with all the fibre of his being and wishes for its speedy death that has kept the Jewish home fire burning? Has any other language of the *Galut*, excepting the language of the Talmud (also a *Galut* product), done as much as Yiddish to further Hebrew?

Mendele Mocher Sephorim, one of the greatest architects of modern Hebrew, has revealed in his Yiddish novels Jewish life in all its phases in a way that can be found in no other language; Peretz, Frishman, Bialik, to name but few of the great writers, have manifested their creative powers in Yiddish as well as in Hebrew. These facts are seemingly immaterial to "Watchman." He hates the language, whatever its contents, whoever its creators; he hates it despite its being spoken by nine or ten million Jews, thus constituting a unifying bond for scattered Jewry; he hates it, though it is a powerful instrument in the Jewish national resuscitation and in the revival of the Hebrew language he has so much at heart.

Yes, he will reply: all that may be true, but it is a thing of the past. Yiddish may have "a great literature, passionate and witty"; it may have been necessary in the past, but having performed a momentous function it can now disappear. It must die; he hopes it will die; he wishes it to die. Now, supposing the fate of Yiddish is as he predicts, why this triumph? Hebrew will not thereby be advanced. British Jews, French Jews, German Jews, Dutch Jews are ignorant of Yiddish and equally ignorant of Hebrew. But, in any case, why hate any language and especially a language which has produced a "great literature," which is still an active creative force? "Watchman" does not avow hatred against any other *Galut* languages, including the one in which he expresses his hatred, because they are not Jewish products. But Yiddish, being a natural Jewish product, evolved in the course of centuries, he hates. This, if you like, is real *Galut* psychology, unconscious *Galut* snobbery. Because Jews, owing to circumstances, had to evolve a language of their own, and the masses of Jews preferred to use their own *Galut* language to that of another *Galut* language, "Watchman" curses it, yearns and hopes for its death, and hates it.

But frankly I don't believe that "Watchman" has such a fund of hatred. He may dislike Yiddish when he misses in it a passionate note or witty remark, enough to exasperate anyone with an alert mind and hot temper. But he must have been thinking of something else, probably Hitlerism, when avowing hate with all the fibre of his being. In his exalted emotion for Hebrew he somehow got mixed up. He believed that his love for Hebrew would be more emphasised if he said nasty things to the younger sister, throwing up her alien birth, vilifying her and saying things which he really did not mean. A lover has to be excused for a good many things, but he really ought not to abuse his state of mind. One can worship the shrine of Hebrew in a far more effective way than being rude and crude to its young but ever faithful sister.

I am, &c.,

19, Antrim Mansions, N.W.3. J. HODESS.

["Watchman" writes: "I shall have much pleasure in replying in due course to the above and any other communications on the subject that may be received."—ED. J.C.]

MR. C. E. SEBAG-MONTEFIORE has been elected Upper Warden of the Spectaclemakers' Company.

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Land of Israel News

Safed Land Dispute

ARAB CLAIM FAILS

TWO-THIRDS OF LAND DECLARED JEWISH

The District Officer appointed by the Government to investigate a dispute concerning the ownership of the Mount Canaan land in Safed, has decided that of the total area of 20,000 dunams, 13,000 dunams are incontestably of Jewish ownership. The claims to the remaining 7,000 dunams will be submitted for decision to the Land Court.

An order against Mr. Alter Stern, Chief Accountant of the Safed Branch of the Anglo-Palestine Bank, banishing him from Safed, has been rescinded. Mr. Stern had gone to the land at the end of October, with a party of Jewish ploughmen, to plough the land he had purchased, when a crowd of Arabs attacked them, claiming the land was theirs. The authorities took speedy action; an administrative trial was held and Mr. Stern, held responsible for the ploughmen, was sent out of his native town.

Mr. Perowne, the Assistant District Commissioner, ordered the Jews to cease operations on the land areas involved, and opened an enquiry to consider the claims.

The areas involved were purchased by the Pica (Palestine Jewish Colonisation Association), the foundation of the late Baron Edmond de Rothschild, forty-one years ago. At the time of the transaction, all the neighbours, including the head of the Wakf, which has a piece a ground in the vicinity, signed a declaration affirming the boundaries of the property bought. Twenty years ago, a question of title was raised by a disputant, and after the claim was heard in the Courts, the ownership of the Pica was upheld. In 1925, an official survey of the land was carried out and the title again confirmed. Subsequently, the Pica divided the land and sold it to various companies, "Zofiah," "Gil," "Extension of the Yishuv," etc. One of the purchasing bodies is an American group. All received a clear and unimpeachable title from the Pica. Plans were drawn up for a new section of the town, to serve as a health resort, for helping the struggling craftsmen to revive their industry, and generally to attract people and prosperity to the town. Part of the area was to be cultivated. Ten houses had already been built.

Quite suddenly, Subhi Khadra, a native of Safed, described in the Shaw Commission's Report on the 1929 massacres as a "sinister figure," whose movements before the outbreak excited suspicions, appeared on the scene, and with the assistance of Auni Bey Abdul, who was one of the Arab counsel before the Shaw Commission, the local Arabs were prevailed upon to declare that the whole of the Mount Canaan was unsaleable, claiming that it was Wakf (Moslem Religious Endowment) property. They produced a document alleged to have been drawn up 500 years ago, and known as a "hidji," and contended that the "hidji" annulled the purchase of the Pica, and thus also the property rights of those who purchased the land from the Pica, notwithstanding forty-one years title, upheld by the Turkish and British authorities.

Arab witnesses said they had paid rent to the Wakf for quarrying and pasturing on the land. They were contradicted, however, by an official report which had been made following enquiries among the villagers.

When the Wakf representatives were requested to indicate on a map the area to which they laid claim, it was found to comprise 7,000 dunams. Mr. Perowne gave instructions to exclude the balance from the disputed area.

THE FIFTIETH ANNIVERSARY OF GEDERA: Four of the surviving Bilu pioneers who went to Palestine in 1881.

[Photo: Lasar Dünner.

Jaffa Citrus Exchange

GERMAN ORANGE AGREEMENT DISCUSSED

At a meeting of the Jaffa Citrus Exchange, the General Manager, Mr. S. Tolkowsky, who has just returned from Europe, presented a detailed report of the results of negotiations conducted in Germany by him and the other members of the Exchange delegation with the object of arranging that sufficient sterling exchange would be available for payment of all shipments of fruit from Palestine to Germany during 1934-35.

After considering carefully the permit granted by the German Government in this connection, the meeting came to the unanimous conclusion that the permit in question did not provide a satisfactory solution to the problem of insuring payment for the shipments of Palestine fruit to Germany. The utilisation of the facilities provided in the permit constituted a very difficult, cumbersome, expensive and very risky procedure. It was felt, said Mr. Tolkowsky, that in view of the very large imports of German goods into Palestine for a very large proportion of which payment was made to Germany in sterling, the citrus shippers of Palestine were entitled to demand that the German Government should place at the disposal of the German fruit importers sufficient sterling exchange to pay for a quantity of Palestine citrus fruit at least as large as was shipped from Palestine to Germany during the last season.

The meeting decided to instruct the general manager to convey this decision to the German Consul-General in Jerusalem.

A Film of Jerusalem

An interesting film of Jerusalem is to be shown at the Imperial Institute Cinema, Imperial Institute Road, South Kensington, from Sunday next until the following Saturday. Although this is by no means a new film, it is well worth seeing because of the shots of Jewish interest in it. The Hebrew University, the Jewish quarter in the old city and the Wailing Wall are all shown; and many widely differing Jewish types appear. It is understood that a running commentary may be added to the film later on as the photography is good enough to warrant its adaptation to talkie machines. The film is owned by Messrs. Pathe, Ltd.

Land of Israel News Items

IN reply to a question in the House of Commons by Mr. J. Wedgwood, Sir Philip Cunliffe-Lister stated that during the period from January 1st to November 25th, 627 Jews had been deported from Palestine, including 243 who were rejected at the frontier.

BEGINNING on January 1st, the receipt and delivery of telegrams in Hebrew characters will be possible from twenty post offices in Palestine. Jerusalem, Jaffa, Tiberias and Safed are excluded for the present until new arrangements are made.

THE Government Budget for 1935 has been fixed at £5,000,000, as compared with £3,500,000 in 1934.

The Agudah and the Mizrachi

From Mr. H. SCHWAB

To the Editor of THE JEWISH CHRONICLE

SIR,—Your contributor, "Examiner," comments in your last issue on an article contained in DOS YIDDISHE WORT, an Agudist organ published in Bukovina. The question of Agudist-Mizrachi relations is one which is having the earnest consideration of the leaders of both parties, and religious Jewry throughout the world would greet co-operation between two great bodies of orthodox Jewish opinion which have similar ideological outlooks. But it is felt in responsible quarters that complete co-operation can take place only between an independent Mizrachi and the Agudah, and it is no secret that this proposal meets with sympathy in many Mizrachi quarters, disappointed and disillusioned at the treatment meted out to religious activities by Zionists. For our part, therefore, we deprecate any attack on the Mizrachi, or any action which would tend to bring disharmony in orthodox Jewish ranks, which benefits only the religious elements.

We would be grateful if your contributor would explain his allegation that the Agudah "has frequently allied itself with armed anti-religious Jewish organisations." This statement is so obviously ludicrous that it must surely be a misprint, and I am sure that your contributor will avail himself of an early opportunity of withdrawing a statement of such a preposterous nature. In non-religious questions the Agudah is at all times prepared to associate with any Jewish party for the common welfare of the Jewish people. In religious or cultural matters there can be no co-operation, and certainly no compromise.

I am, &c.,

9, Whitechapel Road, E.1. H. SCHWAB.

Jewish Historical Society

Mr. Herbert Loewe read a paper on "Solomon Ben Joseph Bunzaglo," at the meeting of the Jewish Historical Society of England, which was held on Monday evening, in the Mocatta Library, Museum and Gustave Tuck Theatre, University College, Gower Street, W.C. The Rev. Michael Adler, D.S.O., the President of the Society, presided, and a vote of thanks to the lecturer was accorded on the motion of Mr. Wilfred Samuel, seconded by the Rev. Bueno de Mesquita.

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THE "LORD'S PRAYER" AND THE "SHEMA"

A MINISTER'S CHALLENGE

The Rev. WALTER LEVIN, presided and Mrs. LEVIN distributed the awards on Sunday, in the Synagogue, Boundary Road, E.17, at the Annual Distribution of Prizes to the pupils of the Classes. The following is an abstract of the Report of the Examiner, Mr. HERBERT M. ADLER, Director of Jewish Education:

There are eighty-two children on the roll which is a satisfactory increase during the last two years, but there are only fifteen girls. I am quite sure that while the education is thorough, and the children are interested a great deal more can and should be done in translation. It must be recognised that with only three classes the two upper classes must get through far more than would be expected in a school where there are several higher classes through which the children will be able to pass. The allowance of eight hours a week is fairly liberal and much more may therefore be reasonably anticipated from these Classes than from those which meet only once or twice a week. I trust that the local Committee will not rest until they have secured an attendance of a more reasonable proportion of girls.

Mr. S. J. GOLDBERG, the Headmaster, said that they had in the last year created order out of chaos in the Talmud Torah. A year ago, the institution was bankrupt financially and, more so spiritually and to-day, they were justified in saying that the classes were getting along very well indeed. All that had been done, was due to the whole-hearted co-operation of the Committee. Personalities and communal politics had been avoided. Although he had received the support of the Committee he had not always received the support of the parents. He wanted the parents to realise that they sent their children to the classes for something more than the Barmitzvah, and he appealed to those parents who were not sending their children there to do so, and also for an increase in the number of girls.

The Rev. WALTER LEVIN, in the course of an address, said that the Union of Hebrew and Religion Classes had watched the progress of these classes which was one of the oldest constituents of the Union to-day. He disagreed with the headmaster who stated that there had not been a Jewish spirit pervading those classes. What Mr. Henig did was to give the children a good grounding as far as lay in his power. The new headmaster had a new outlook. He would like to see three hours instruction on Sundays and half-an-hour taken off the week-day evenings. They could not get the best out of children when they came tired after a day's work at school. He felt, said Mr. Levin, that translation was the crux of the problem in the understanding of Hebrew. He would rather have the children sing in English and recite their prayers in English and understand them, than in Hebrew and not understand a word. Jewish children in this country, he said, were brought up in a Christian environment and, if they tested the children, often they would find that they could say the Lord's Prayer better than the Shema. He wanted to bring home to the parents a few home truths. At the present time they had no Minister to lead them in that district just where they wanted one. No synagogue in London had a more earnest lay worker than Mr. Margolis, yet they needed a Minister. He hoped and prayed that they would soon have a Minister to lead them.

Mr. W. M. MARGOLIS proposed a vote of thanks to the Chairman and Mrs. Levin, which was seconded by Mr. CLIGMAN. Thanks were also accorded to the teaching staff and donors of the prizes on the motion of Messrs. I. HOFFMAN and P. PRICE respectively.

Cable Street (Central) J.R.E.B. Classes

Mr. E. Wroot, Head of the Central Day School, distributed the prizes to the pupils of the Religion Classes last week. He complimented the children on their excellent work both at the Hebrew Classes and the Day School and remarked that he had always found the Jewish children admirable in every way. Miss K. ROSE, Headmistress of the Stepney Jewish School, who presided, impressed on the parents and children the need for a sound Jewish Education. The Rev. Walter Levin also spoke. An original playlet "The Three Festivals" written by Mr. S. Fink, was given by the pupils, also various Hebrew songs and poems. A vote of thanks was passed to the Superintendent and Teaching Staff. Cable Street was the first set of Central Classes established by the Jewish Religious Education Board. The numbers have been well maintained and the pupils work to a higher standard than at the ordinary Board's Classes. Miss D. Lazarus, the Superintendent, thanked the visitors and parents. Miss D. Lazarus, the Superintendent, thanked the visitors and parents. The children were given a treat.

Stamford Hill Talmud Torah

Last Sunday, the annual Prize Distribution to the pupils of the Talmud Torah and those attending the Grove Road Morning Classes was held. The Chairman, Mr. M. Golker, who presided, reported that the Talmud Torah had added to its pupils, and now had 250 on its roll who attended five times a week. Sabbath Morning Services for children had been inaugurated, and he appealed for the co-operation of the parents. Rabbi Dr. E. W. Kirzner, Superintendent of the Classes, said that out of the six entrants for the Talmud Torah Trust examinations, four had been successful, including one girl. The prizes were distributed by Mrs. J. Zichlinsky. Mr. Percy Oster moved a vote of thanks to the Chairman, Mr. M. Golker, to whom, he said, the Talmud Torah was greatly indebted. He also thanked Mrs. Zichlinsky for distributing the prizes. The Chairman, in responding, thanked the Ladies' Help Society for their good work. Mr. S. Galicia proposed a vote of thanks to the Superintendent and Teaching Staff. Mr. M. Brody, in reply, thanked the honorary Officers and the Superintendent for their consideration and help at all times. *Maarib* was recited by the Rev. J. Lieberman, after which *Adon Olam*, *Hatikvah* and God Save the King were sung by the children. A treat was provided by the Ladies' Society.

West End and West Central Talmud Torah

The annual Prize Distribution was held last week. Mr. Philip Kerner presided and Mrs. Kerner distributed the prizes. Dayan H. M. Lazarus addressed the children and dwelt on the question of racial purity. The Headmaster, Mr. J. H. Finn, submitted the Examiner's Report. It showed that there were four classes with an average of ninety throughout the year; a Sabbath class was well organised and a class for girls was conducted every Tuesday. Mr. S. Rosenbloom appealed to parents to encourage their children to attend regularly. Votes of thanks were accorded to Dayan Lazarus on the motion of Rabbi H. Ferber, and Mr. and Mrs. P. Kerner on the motion of Mr. I. Diamond, seconded by Mr. S. Levene.

At Random

CHOICE GERMAN PHILOSOPHY

I have just read a passage in a pamphlet of the extreme German-Christian school, which states positively about the Germans: "God Himself has pronounced us His chosen people." Here we have the Hitlerites themselves, in plain words saying they are a Chosen Race. Where could they have got that notion? Where could they even have got that phrase, except from the Jews? But then the purely literary and logical fun begins. In the same propagandist print, we read elsewhere the remarkable business proposition: "We will have a German God or none"; in which case it seems likely that they will have none, since there may not be a German God to be had. But I pass over the metaphysical difficulties. I never heard of anybody stipulating that God should be a Scotchman; nor by what delicate diplomatic approaches the Maker of all mankind can be naturalised as a Portuguese. But what interests me is the merely logical point about the Chosen Race. For it seems, after all, that it is not the God who chooses the Race, but the Race that chooses the God. The Bible at least tells a consistent story of a Diety protecting a particular family; but here the family seems somehow able to patronise a particular Deity; and tell Him to be a German, as the Hebrews would never dare to tell Him to be a Hebrew. Well, it is all Hebrew to me.—Mr. G. K. Chesterton in G. K's WEEKLY.

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BYE, BYE, BLACK SHEEP

We don't think any tears will be shed outside Germany over the disbandment of the Liverpool society for "resistance to Jewish monopoly." Having sneered at their fellow-citizens for "lacking in racial sense," the founders have decided to go out of business, thereby showing a little sense themselves. In trying to stir up the muddy waters of religious intolerance and race hatred, they have dirtied none but themselves.—From JOHN BULL.

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SO SAD!

The great Anon. has many uses. Sir Walter Scott, when he wished to introduce a rhyme of his own, would dub it "Old Song," and now that Herr Rosenberg is in a difficulty about his new primer for young readers of the Third Reich he has taken cover under the same cloak. The dilemma arose over the famous "Lorelei," by the Jew Heine—a song too deeply German to be left out; too undeniably Jewish to be left in. With superb simplicity, Herr Rosenberg has solved the problem: "Die Lorelei" appears "By an Unknown Author." Henceforth little Nazis can sing that wistful ballad with clear consciences, dreaming as they sing of the beautiful maiden with her golden Nordic hair. But the siren's job, it should be borne in mind, was to lure men to destruction with her song. Let Herr Rosenberg have a care!—From the SUNDAY TIMES.

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ONLY PRETTY OSWALD'S WAY

Speakers will not devote a disproportionate amount of their speech to the Jewish question, the effect of which is to flatter the Jews' sense of self-importance. They should be treated as a problem with which Fascism will deal faithfully, but by no means the only problem which confronts us.—From "NOTES FOR SPEAKERS No. 4," issued by the Mosley Fascists.

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BOOKS AND BOOKMEN

A Modern Hebrew Writer

AVIGDOR HAMMEIRI

By A. MELNIKOFF

(The latest work by Hammeiri, "Tenuva," was reviewed in last week's "Jewish Chronicle.")

Out of the Haskalah flower bed sprang that mighty oak Chaim Nachman Bialik and around him grew up the evergreen "young forest" of modern Hebrew poets and writers. A few dared to revolt against the Bialik spirit and among them was Avigdor Hammeiri.

HAMMEIRI, from the bust by Melnikoff in the Bezalel Museum.

Modern Hebrew literature has developed wherever the Jews lived, but its origin and compact strength were concentrated in Russian Jewry. It was there that the Haskalah movement started. Practically all the poets and writers of worth have come from that same school. Avigdor Hammeiri is almost the only one who hailed from another quarter.

Avigdor Hammeiri was born in a little village in Hungary, a country which has not played a great part in Jewish culture during the last few generations, and that makes the fact even more important. He was a student at the Rabbinical Seminary at Budapest, and quite early started to write both in Hebrew and in Hungarian. He occupied a prominent place among the young Hungarian writers, and the *Mult es Jövö*, THE JEWISH CHRONICLE of Hungarian Jewry, opened its pages freely to him.

His first book of Hebrew poems *Chalav Haem* ("Mother's Milk") appeared quite early, when he was eighteen years old. He wrote in Hungarian many short stories and poems which appeared in the Hungarian press. When the War broke out, he joined the Hungarian army. He was taken prisoner and was for some time in a Russian prisoner-of-war camp. It was then, for the first time, that Hammeiri came into contact with Russian Jewry. After his release he lived in Odessa, where he met Bialik and other persons of literary importance.

Since then he has lived in Palestine. His life there has been a stormy one; in him is realised the Biblical saying: "His hand will be against every man and every man's hand against him." He is a restless, violent seeker after truth, fearless as the day, and suffers much as a result. He has been warned many a time by the Palestine Government for his ruthless, straightforward criticism; but nothing can keep Hammeiri back.

Besides his poetic works he has written many novels, the most prominent of which is his war novel *Hashigaon Hagadol* ("The Great Madness"), which has been translated into many languages. For a long time he used to publish a monthly called *Lev Chadash* ("New Heart,") which made Palestinian party politicians as well as many Government officials sit up and take notice of the things that were printed in that thin little periodical. He also wrote a very interesting and charming one-act drama, called "Masada," which revives the scene of those ancient fighters surrounded by Romans at the fortress of Masada, the last stronghold of the Jews in Palestine, their life, their fight, and their wholesale suicide rather than surrender to the Romans.

To his stay in the Russian prison we owe his book, *Gehinnom shel Mata*, "Hell Beneath," which makes one shiver and tremble. One loses all taste for the "heroism" of war and its "glories" after reading such a book. He was also the creator of the famous Palestinian satirical theatre which plays such a great and important part in Palestinian life. Originally it was called *Hakumkum* "The Kettle," and his taste for decoration and literary perfection made that little theatre the most beloved entertainment of the Palestinian masses. In his bitter, satirical way, Hammeiri spared none; all passed under his satirical whip and the guilty ones smarted. But Hammeiri cannot "get on" with people, and soon these young men and women whom he had trained revolted against him and set up a theatre for themselves, which is the present satirical theatre, *Hamatateh*, "The Broom."

He is a daily feature in the Palestine press in which he is a regular nomad, wandering from newspaper to newspaper. He will never rest; he is not made that way.

I am looking forward to the day when Hammeiri, as well as many other young poets and writers of modern Palestine, will be translated into English. Their work will certainly surprise the English-reading public with its originality and freshness.

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THE SOCIOLOGY OF THE BIBLE

The Heritage of Solomon, by John Garstang. (Williams and Norgate, Ltd., 20s. net.)

The name of Professor Garstang's newest (and perhaps, one may be permitted to add, most important) work is a trifle misleading. It sounds as though it were an addition to the Arabian Nights, or a discourse upon Masonic antiquities. Instead it is a historical introduction to the sociology of ancient Palestine—almost, indeed, a comprehensive history of the Hebrews down to the first millenium B.C.E., with a special emphasis upon social life.

The great merit of the work, which prevents it from being simply a brilliant recapitulation of what has previously been written in this field, is the great importance which it attaches to the present-day practices of the Palestinian Bedouin, as throwing light upon the sociology of the Bible. To this, Professor Garstang attaches no less importance than he does to the Biblical record on the one hand and contemporary Egyptian and allied archæological evidence on the other. One small point, with wider implications, may be adduced in illustration of this. Even at the present time the Bedouin are accustomed to compel a suspected person to swear to his innocence of some crime of which he is suspected, under awe-inspiring conditions. This, Professor Garstang rightly connects with the "oath of the Lord" of the Bible. But the analogy adds very considerably to the significance in Talmudic law of the Oath, the taking of which under certain circumstances was hardly distinguishable from a penalty. And may not this link up, too, with the medieval ideas which gave their origin to the degrading form of oath *more judaico?*

Professor Garstang accepts, as is only to be expected, the main conclusions of Higher Criticism, though he does not follow them to fantastic extremes. Those who consider that this, coupled with the results of the study of ancient Semitic and Egyptian legislation, undermines the crucial importance of the Hebrew contribution to humanity should turn to p. 174, where the author takes all this into account. He concludes: "All this may be so, but the fact remains that the idea of God which Moses presented to the Israelites was new; this association of worship with morals, combined with the conception of rules of society as divine ordinances, marks a definite epoch in the history of religions."

Very much more could be said about this important and gripping work, but considerations of space forbid. It would not, however, be right to conclude without adding that its publication is due to the initiative of the trustees of the late Herbert Spencer, of whose "Descriptive Sociology" it is a continuation.

Notes on Books and Authors

The Council of the Jewish Historical Society and the Mocatta Library Committee have requested Dr. Cecil Roth to prepare a revised edition of the BIBLIOTHECA ANGLO-JUDAICA, by Joseph Jacobs and Lucien Wolf. This was issued nearly half-a-century ago from the office of THE JEWISH CHRONICLE as volume III of the Publications of the Anglo-Jewish Historical Exhibition. Still an invaluable aid to historical study, it has become quite rare. On the other hand, discoveries made since the work was issued, and the large number of more recent publications, have rendered it in some respects inadequate. The new edition (in which is to be incorporated a catalogue of the works on Anglo-Jewish history, in the Mocatta Library and other Jewish collections in University College) will therefore fill a definite gap. Dr. Roth will be grateful if any persons who have suggestions to make, or who have noticed errors or omissions in the original edition, will put themselves in touch with him.

Old acquaintances are LA REVUE JUIVE DE LORRAINE, which continues to publish the curious applications made in the eighteenth century for inclusion in the number of the 180 families tolerated locally; and CAHIERS JUIFS, the current issue of which (11 and 12 of 1934) continues the high standard of its articles on modern history, biography, criticism, even anti-Semitism, &c. LA RASSEGNA MENSILE DI ISRAEL opens with a study on Abraham Colorni—that ingenious sixteenth-century Mantuan Jew who invented card tricks, invisibility and machine-guns. Mr. M. B. Foster's article on "The Doctrine of Creation and Modern Science," in the current MIND, draws interesting contrasts between the Jewish and Christian doctrines, the latter deriving much from the Greek, and thus including in itself a great deal from the doctrine which it displaced. KIRJATH SEPHER concludes I. Rivkind's monograph on Hebrew printing in Poland, continues B. Wachsteln's Bibliography of Jewish Wills, and contains, among other important reviews, one by Professor A. Marmorstein on Canon Danby's translation of the *Mishnah*.

Publications Received

TENDENCIES OF THE MODERN NOVEL. (Allen and Unwin. 3s. 6d.)

[Eight internationally famous writers of various countries have contributed to this stimulating symposium, among them Milton Waldman who writes of the novel in America, and the late Jacob Wassermann, who dealt with Germany. Wassermann, in an interesting passage, comments on the large number of modern novelists who are Jews.]

HEREDITY, MAINLY HUMAN. By Eldon Moore. (Chapman and Hall, 15s.)

[A very readable and fascinating study for "the educated and intelligent reader who knows nothing of the subject but wishes to understand its main outlines without intending to pursue it much further"—by the former Chief Officer of the Imperial Bureau of Animal Genetics and Editor of "The Eugenics Review."]

THE LETTERS OF BENAMMI

No. 788.—Moslems and Jews

MY DEAR COUSIN,

It may surprise some of us to learn that over 250 million people in the world—that is to say, about 15 per cent. of the inhabitants of the globe—profess the religion of Islam. Of this total some 37 per cent. are under British rule and 19 per cent. under Dutch rule. Some 96 million Moslems are citizens in the British Empire, of whom 77 million live in India. France contains some 20 millions in her North African possessions; the estimate for China is likewise 20 millions. There are about 18 million in Russia, 13 in Turkey and 13 in Egypt.

They are not, of course, all Arabs; they are counted among many races and even different colours; but one bond unites them—the acceptance of the religion founded by Mahomet. That religion is usually associated in the minds of most Europeans with the fez, the harem, the veiling of women, the minaret, that curious tower dominating mosques, and the crescent. These used to be special characteristics of Islam. But in many countries, and notably in Turkey, a wave of reform has swept away the ancient landmarks.

Islam, which is related to the Hebrew word *Shalom*, denotes perfect submission to the will of God. Its Bible is the Koran, of which Mahomet declared that it was revealed to him from divine sources. As a matter of fact Mahomet borrowed extensively not only from the Bible but from the oral tradition current among the Jews of Arabia.

In order to be a Moslem all that is required of a man is to say with sincerity *La illahu lill Allah*, which being interpreted denotes there is no God but Allah. He need only add the belief that Mahomet is God's Prophet; he must be circumcised; must practise charity and hospitality; must fast during the month of Rhamadan; and must go on pilgrimage to Mecca. As good a summary of the teaching of Islam as any is that found in Yehuda Halevi's "Cuzari." The Moslem authority declares: We believe in the unity of God, that the world was created, that all mankind are the children of Adam, that God is a spirit and not a body, that the words of our law book are of divine origin, for no human being could have been the author of such a book, that our prophet was the seal of all the prophets, that he abrogated all the law books that existed before his time and that he summons all peoples to adopt Islam, that the reward of obedience is paradise with all manner of earthly joys, and punishment for disobedience is dismissal to an everlasting fire.

Many of Mahomet's teachings are Jewish in origin. So well disposed was he towards the Jews that he provided, in the first instance, that when a Moslem prays he should turn towards Jerusalem. Perhaps this was intended as an inducement to the Jews to follow his banner. When he realised that the inducement was of no avail, he replaced Jerusalem by Mecca. Down to this day the Faithful turn to the Holy City of Arabia while they pray.

Mahomet did not know the text of the Bible. What he learned about Judaism was what the Jews of his acquaintance transmitted to him by word of mouth. Accordingly the Koran contains not only Biblical stories but also current popular legends. The seven heavens and the seven gates of Hell of the Talmud make their appearance in the Koran. The Rabbis of old taught, the righteous when they die are called the Living. In the Koran you may read: Say not that those who having wandered in God's way pass out of life are dead; not so: they are alive. Mahomet likewise adopted many Jewish rules of life. It was a Jewish and a Moslem practice for a mother to feed her child for two years; for a religious man to add "God willing" (D.V.) or "Please God," when making a decision to take any course of action; to abstain from pork and blood, and to practise Shechita. The Moslems also did not drink wine.

Mahomet's indebtedness to the Jews is perhaps best illustrated in the number of legends of Jewish origin which he has taken over. Let one example serve as an illustration. A Rabbinic story relates the plight of Adam and Eve when they were face to face with death for the first time—when Abel was killed. They did not know what to do with the dead body. While they were mourning, a raven appeared who had lost his mate. The bird scratched the earth and hid the dead creature under it. Adam imitated the raven and buried Abel in the ground. The Koran retails the story in its completeness. Mahomet's conception of God and the qualities usually associated with him would be acceptable to any Jew and, it may be added, to any Christian likewise. God is good to all and His tender mercies are over all His works.

Among the characters of the Bible in whom Mahomet took a special interest were Abraham, whom he regarded as a sort of forerunner of himself, Joseph, Moses and Solomon. The life stories of each are elaborated in the Koran, adorned with many a Jewish legend.

That when the Jews showed little inclination to accept the new faith, they were not looked upon with a friendly eye, needs no elaboration. Even in the Koran they are accused of falsifying the stories in the Bible. The Bible, for instance, tells the story of Abraham's sacrifice of Isaac. According to the Koran, it was Ishmael who was sacrificed—Ishmael, the progenitor of the Arab clans.

It has been repeatedly pointed out that the best in all religions is common to all; that all religions demand of their devotees that they lead good lives, doing acts of charity and kindness to their fellows; loving God and loving man. From this view-point all those who worship God with all their heart and soul and might are walking in the path which leads to the Divine. All are brethren; all have much in common. But Moslems and Jews actually have much in common also in the structure of their respective faiths. Both are unitarians; the religious ideals of the Jews have been adopted by the Moslems. The two have been in close contact for centuries. Why is it, then, that the two groups do not come into closer accord with one another in these days? Why is it that in Palestine the Arabs, who are for the most part Moslems, do not recognise that if they and the Jews are not children of the same ancestor, they certainly are cousins? Why is not stress laid on the points they have in common?

Perhaps the answer is that the evil spirit of Nationalism has raised its head in many lands, preaching hatred of the foreigner teaching narrowness to the native. In Turkey, Islam is no longer the religion of the State; the sanctified Arabic alphabet has been replaced by Latin letters; monogamy is advocated. In a word, a mighty spirit of reform has changed the face of the nation. Similar tendencies are manifesting themselves in Persia, in Egypt, in Syria. The Islamic Orient is in a ferment. But fundamentally the teachings of Islam, even allowing for the opposition of the Sunnites and the Shi'ites, are for the 250 million Moslems set forth in the Koran. The Koran owes much to the Jews. The 250 million Moslems in the world ought, therefore, to be drawn towards the 16 million Jews. More especially should this be the case in the British Empire. The 77 million Moslems in India should certainly be amicably disposed to the People of the Book; their example is bound to have helpful repercussions in Palestine. There the Hebrew University of Jerusalem should throw light on a political problem of some magnitude. The British Empire is interested in the welfare of more Moslems in the world than any other great Commonwealth. Britain is also responsible for the Mandate in Palestine. Is it not patent that it is in the British interest to cultivate friendly relations between two peoples whose religious thought is so closely akin?

Your loving cousin,

BENAMMI.

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HIS EXCELLENCY SENOR DON PEDRO GARCIA CONDE (Minister Counsellor to the Spanish Embassy) opened last week the Exhibition of photographs of Spanish Morocco by Mr. Lewis G. Jonas at the Spanish Club Gallery, 5, Cavendish Square, W.1.

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Union of Anglo-Jewish Preachers

Nine Retired Ministers Honoured

The Chief Rabbi Sums Up

A dinner was given by the Union of Anglo-Jewish Preachers at the Westminster Palace Rooms, S.W., on Wednesday evening to mark the retirement of nine Ministers: the Rev. Michael Adler, D.S.O., Rabbi Harris Cohen (who was unable to be present owing to the serious illness of his wife), the Rev. S. Frampton, the Rev. N. Goldston, the Rev. John S. Harris, Dayan L. Mendelsohn (who was also unable to attend), the Rev. E. P. Phillips, the Rev. H. L. Price and the Rev. M. Rosenbaum. The President of the Union, the Rev. H. GOODMAN, presided. The Hon. Secretary, the Rev. I. Livingstone, who recited grace, read messages from those who regretted inability to be present.

The CHIEF RABBI giving the toasts of "The Guests," said that his own courage had long been notorious, for no less an authority than Dr. N. S. Lucas had declared that he had travelled with a Woolf round the world! (laughter) and now he had undertaken to propose the health of nine Ministers in one toast! In referring to the guests of honour Dr. Hertz said:

"The Rev. Michael Adler: The Jewish soldier in the Ministry; like George Washington 'first in war and first in peace'. He was not only popular with the men at the front and the mothers and fathers at home, but the hearts of little children leapt up at the mention of Michael Adler and at the sight of him in his military uniform. Rabbi Harris Cohen: He is a son of Rabbi Susman Cohen, brother of Rabbi B. I. Cohen; a Cohen in the Ministry—a Cohen in the Laity, zealous with a prejudice for having your own way. Did excellent work in connection with Sabbath observance, and Youth Movement. The Rev. S. Frampton: I do not know of a single community whose representative has performed his task with greater dignity and in a more respected and compelling manner. His co-operation with the Chief Rabbinate has been invaluable; has the secret of graceful old age and is as young as ever. The Rev. N. Goldston: He has given over forty years of pastoral work in a metropolitan suburban congregation; and has kept the respect and affection of his congregation; comes from a family of teachers. The Rev. John S. Harris: A ferocious lover of peace, a militant pacifist of incendiary honesty; gave up a comfortable position as 'conscientious objector.' Years consecrated to 'social welfare.' Dayan L. Mendelsohn: *Lamdan*, Dayan, with the heart of a child; has held positions in various parts of the world. Is beloved everywhere and by all. The Rev. E. P. Phillips: Is the only antipodean-born Minister, to my knowledge. Came from the goldfields of South Australia, tempered and refined in the icy caverns of Caledonia; has served the Glasgow community for fifty years. The Rev. H. L. Price: He has always brought commonsense to his task. He knows what he wants. The Rev. M. Rosenbaum: I envy him the glorious privilege of having produced his edition of *Rashi*. The most wonderful fault-finder I have known; does it not because he wishes to annoy, but because he wants to help.

The CHAIRMAN, in supporting the toast, expressed the hope that in future Anglo-Jewry would be served as worthily and as efficiently as it had been in the past by their guests whom that evening they delighted to honour.

All the seven of the nine retiring Preachers present replied to the toast.

Medical Society's Annual Dinner

TRIBUTES TO THE JEWISH HOSPITAL

The Value of a Jewish Doctors' Organisation

Sir Humphry D. Rolleston, Bt., G.C.V.O., K.C.B., F.R.C.P., was the guest of honour at the Annual Dinner of the London Jewish Hospital Medical Society which was held on Sunday evening at the Trocadero, W., under the Chairmanship of Dr. A. Goodman Levy.

Proposing the toast of the Guest of Honour, Dr. J. BURNFORD said that Sir Humphry was consulting physician to many hospitals and to the London Jewish Hospital, and he was examiner to most of the Universities he could think of. He was a soldier and a sailor, too.

Sir HUMPHRY ROLLESTON, who was in reminiscent mood, compared conditions when he first became a medical student with those of to-day. In those days, he reminded the gathering, Lister, four years after he had come to London, was the despised and rejected of men. Surgeons then had a very much easier time than they had now. There were no abdominal operations, and appendicitis was not really invented, and did not come into existence until 1886; and then it was brought from the New World. What, he asked, would be the fate of surgeons if there were no appendicitis to-day? (Laughter).

Mrs. DUGDALE, in proposing the toast of "The London Jewish Hospital," said that there was something psychological in that institution which brought a kind of healing to the soul which was the real basis of the care and the cure of the body.

Haham Dr. GASTER, in replying to the toast, after speaking of the respect in which doctors had been held by the Jewish people from very olden times, paid a tribute to Sir Humphry Rolleston who, he said, had from the very inception of the Jewish Hospital—when the foundation-stone was laid—shown a deep interest in it and had given them every possible help. From the very beginning Sir Humphry had been a devoted friend to them.

Alderman A. KERSHAW, J.P., who proposed the toast of "The London Jewish Hospital Medical Society and its President," in the absence of Mrs. M. D. Eder, said that a Society such as theirs justified itself, for it made it its business to study the differences that existed among their own people with a view to improving the medical attention of such people. They also welcomed the help which the Society gave to those members of its profession who had suffered from the persecutions in Germany. He looked forward to the day, said Alderman Kershaw, when there would be one great State medical service, not being run by politicians who know nothing about medicine but by their own profession, by their own elected and acknowledged representatives.

Dr. A. GOODMAN LEVY read a letter from Professor Charles Singer, regretting his inability to be present and wishing the function success. There was little peculiarly Jewish in medicine, said Dr. Levy, so the scientific aspect of the society was limited. From a Jewish social aspect, however, the society obviously served a purpose in bringing a large number of Jewish medical men together. The large attendances at their meetings were an eloquent testimony to this—they were drawn not only from local sources, but from all over London. He referred to the formation recently of the Jewish Medical and Dental Assistance Council which had done such good work in collecting funds for the assistance of German medical and dental practitioners, and which was an offshoot of that society. The majority of their Jewish doctors led an exacting professional life with little time for conference or discussion, and he felt sure that that society helped to keep alive their scientific interest in medicine.

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Imperial and Foreign News

Jews in the Peninsula—II

THE LISBON COMMUNITY

Sefardi and Ashkenazi Rivalries

[*From a Special Correspondent*—LISBON]

The Jews of Lisbon, who constantly pass through the busy square known as Rossio, probably seldom pause to reflect upon the *autos da fé* that used to be enacted there, except perhaps when a foreign traveller emerges from the railway station near by and is immediately enlightened by welcoming friends regarding its sinister historic memories. For now there reigns perfect civil equality for Jew and Gentile, a position that has been affirmed more than once under the dictatorship of the last few years. The medieval edict of expulsion has never been formally rescinded, but no question has ever been raised about the right of the Jews to settle in the land ever since they began returning in small numbers in the first or second decade of the nineteenth century. The re-settlement has always been on a modest scale—at least it was so until the end of the War—for the total number of Jews in Lisbon even now is estimated at less than 1,000, and the majority are not Sefardim.

The earliest settlers came partly from Morocco and partly from Gibraltar, and in the latter case several immigrated *via* the Azores, where they had lived for a number of years. A few prominent members of the Sefardi Community can still recall the stories they heard from their grandfathers, who, after having engaged in trade in the Azores for a time, decided to transfer themselves to Lisbon and to foster commercial relations with "the islands." Several of the pioneers, having been born in Gibraltar, felt secure as British subjects against any attempt to interfere with their settling in a land that had once proved so inhospitable. It is in the British cemetery that can be found the oldest tombstones of the Jews of Lisbon, and it was a part of that cemetery that was subsequently acquired by the Sefardi Community as its own burial-ground. Some years before the War, Jews from Central and Eastern Europe, especially from Germany and Poland, began to find their way to the Portuguese capital, and after the War their number continued to increase, until it is now estimated that there are about six hundred Ashkenazim as against only four hundred Sefardim. There are some people who consider these estimates rather high, but there appears to be general agreement as to the relative proportion of the two elements. The rivalry that exists between them is undoubtedly one of the most interesting features of Jewish life in Lisbon.

Prevalence of Intermarriage

The paucity of the Sefardi Community is due to the prevalence of inter-marriage between its members and Portuguese Catholics, a process that is still going on almost irresistibly. The frequency of these mixed marriages is explained as being due to the lack of choice open to Jewish young men and women in search of a life's partner, whilst another factor has doubtless consisted in the inadequate religious education provided before the War and the lack of any spiritual guidance. Religious worship has been regularly maintained for about a century, and two Synagogues were built, of which only the later one—a small and pleasant sanctuary not far from the beautiful Avenida da Liberdad—is now used. This Synagogue was erected about thirty years ago, and it is characteristic of the conditions of the time that it has no façade to the street but lies back somewhat discreetly, and there is no external design or inscription to indicate its character. It has no Rabbi or Haham, and its services are conducted by two cantors, one of whom is a Sefardi from Hebron and the other Ashkenazi (who has assimilated the Sefardi pronunciation and intonation) from Vienna. As for the worshippers, they attend in respectable numbers, and several of them even wear silk hats on the Sabbath.

One of the striking differences that distinguish the Portuguese Jews from the members of the Ashkenazi Community is their superior wealth. Many of them have a house at Estoril, the fashionable pleasure resort on the coast, in addition to a house in Lisbon, and some even have a third establishment in the country. It is this difference of social status that forms a gulf between the two elements and prevents any fusion. The Portuguese Jews are conscious of the perils to which they are exposed by the continuance of inter-marriage and the diminishing of their numbers, and even though a marriage solemnised by a Catholic priest is sometimes accompanied by a diatribe against the Jews, this does not appear to act as a deterrent. Only recently there was such a mixed marriage in a church, at which the priest, who was known for his fanaticism and was warned to be careful in his address to the young couple, delivered himself of such an outburst of anti Semitism that the Christian guests were as deeply incensed as were the Jews who were present. Catholic clerical influence is undoubtedly on the ascendant, and its tendency in general is anti-Jewish. The Cardinal Patriarch of Lisbon, however, displays a more tolerant outlook; he has embodied the Tetragrammaton in his ecclesiastical coat-of-arms, and the four Hebrew letters are shown not only on his note-paper but also on his official car.

Despite their paucity the Portuguese Jews of Lisbon have produced some notable scholars and scientists, such as Dr. Alfred Bensaude, who established a scientific college; Senhor Joaquin Bensaude, who has published important works on the history of Portuguese nautical astronomers; and Professor Alfred Benarus, who has now retired and acts as President of the Zionist Organisation. By far the most eminent, however, is Professor M. B. Amzalak, who combines an unusual range of activities. He is both economist and Oriental scholar, Vice-Rector of the Technical University and part proprietor and co-editor of the leading daily, O SECULO, as well as director of some companies. He is the author of an imposing list of books and monographs, and has lectured in England and France. He was a fellow-student and is a friend of the Prime Minister, Dr. Salazar, and has been offered a position in the Government, which he declined. Moreover, Professor Amzalak is President of the Jewish Community and of the "Hevra Kadisha," and his orthodoxy is above suspicion.

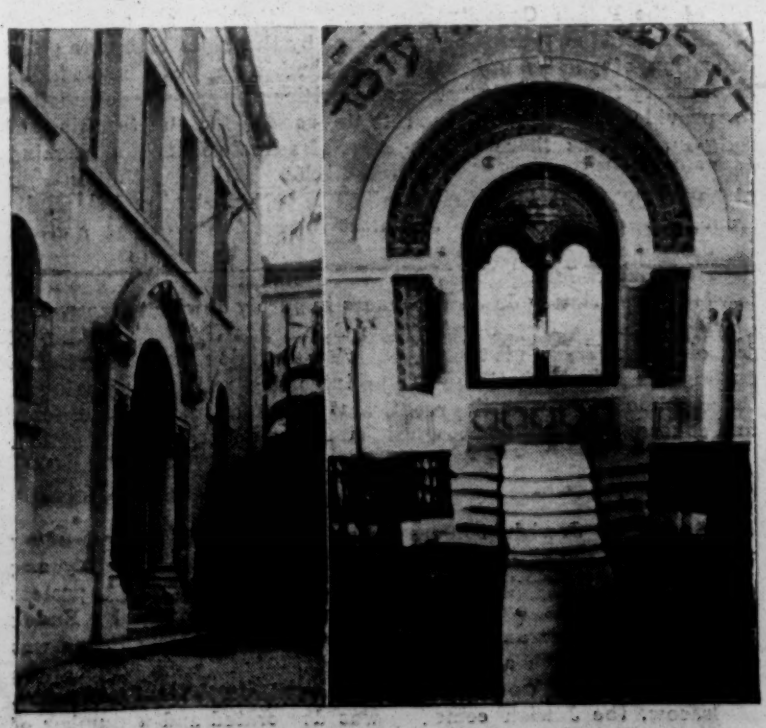
The Ashkenazi section, largely consisting of Polish Jews who have settled here at various intervals since the War, have established themselves in a different part of the city and have their own place of worship, which is on private premises. Not content with the lack of spiritual guidance that they found, they have imported a young Polish Rabbi from Paris, whom the Sefardim will not recognise. The upkeep of their separate religious organisation is cheerfully borne by the Polish Jews, who impart a vigorous impulse to Jewish life in general. Twelve years ago Professor Benarus founded a Jewish day school, which combines general with Jewish education, and which is now attended by eighty children. As it was built before the big influx of Polish Jews, in a district most convenient to the Portuguese Jews, and the children of the former now constitute the great majority, the Polish Jews are demanding that the school should be transferred to their own locality, as they at present spend a great deal of money on motor cars that take their children to and from the school daily. They claim that the money thus spent on transport would almost be sufficient to pay for their children's separate education. The problem is arousing considerable feeling between the two sections of the Community.

The Jewish Club

The centre of Jewish social life consists of a club that was founded some ten years ago, under the name of "Hehaber," by a young Polish Jew from Breslau, Mr. S. Hiller. The present premises, which were opened only a couple of years ago, comprise a reading room (where Jewish papers in various languages can be found), a room for games, a buffet and a hall for concerts, lectures and dances. This club, which has 250 members, is open every night and plays an important part in the communal life of Lisbon Jewry. On the other hand, the community has not been so fortunate with its little hospital, which had to be closed some time ago owing to inadequate support.

The Jewish Community in Lisbon appears to take little interest in the Marranos in Oporto and in the other places in the north of the country. It appears to be the general view that the organisation that has been set up in Oporto for the revival of Judaism among the Marranos will fail of its purpose, owing to the head of the Seminary, Captain Barros Basto, being unqualified for such a position, and owing also to the fact that the students are not afforded the opportunity of being brought up in a truly Jewish milieu. "The Marranos are all right for Jews abroad," is the general comment in which one can perceive a blend of cynicism and disillusion.

Since the Nazi regime in Germany about 150 Jewish refugees have found their way here, confronting the local community with a problem with which it had some difficulty in coping. About £1,400 has been raised here for the relief of the refugees, and grants have been received from the "Hicem" for those who have gone to Palestine or some other country. More than half of the total number of refugees have left again, some having returned to Germany whilst a Jewish doctor of exceptional ability is reported to be doing very well in the Azores.



The exterior and interior of the Lisbon Synagogue.
[JEWISH CHRONICLE photos.

POLAND

Persistent Attacks on Jewish Education

Towards a School "Ghetto"

JEWISH TEACHERS BOYCOTTED

[*From our Correspondent*—WARSAW]

The problem of Jewish schools, the dismissals of Jewish teachers, and the whole question of Jewish education, has again come to the fore on the long list of Jewish grievances in Poland. Like all the other minorities, the Jews are entitled to be provided with free primary education of a kind in which the cultivation of their mother-tongue and their religion is possible and unhindered. However, while the State maintains over a thousand primary schools for Ukrainians and several hundred schools for Germans, there are no State schools where Yiddish or Hebrew is being taught at the cost of the public funds.

There are now in Poland nearly 200 Jewish schools where Yiddish is being taught. There are also some 220 primary and secondary schools where Hebrew predominates. There are one Yiddish and three Hebrew Seminaries, and sixteen Yiddish technical schools. Nearly 20,000 Jewish children are thus able to receive tuition not only in Polish, but also in Yiddish, which they regard as their mother tongue, and more than 20,000 additional Jewish children receive tuition in Hebrew, which again they regard as their mother-tongue. But none of these schools is maintained by the State—they are paid for by Jewish institutions, educational and others.

Moreover, not only does the State refuse to maintain these schools, but, it is complained, all sorts of excuses are found to diminish their number. Although the *Chedarim*, in some of which the methods of instruction are still reminiscent of the Middle Ages, are allowed to flourish freely, a large proportion of the modern Yiddish or Hebrew schools have been closed down.

To these grievances, new ones have now been added. Since 1921 a number of schools have been in existence in Poland where only Jewish children have been taught. These schools, numbering about thirty, had Jewish teachers, and, as the pupils and teachers were Jews, they were allowed to close on Saturdays and open on Sundays. (In Poland, tuition in primary schools lasts for six days a week). About a year ago the educational authorities began appointing non-Jewish headmasters in these schools, called, on account of their being closed on Sabbaths, "Szabasowski" schools It was then decided that Jewish teachers were to go to non-Jewish schools and non-Jewish teachers to Jewish schools. The ultimate result was that many of the Jewish teachers were left without posts and many Jewish children were unprovided with schools. Most of the Sabbath schools have thus been closed and numbers of Jewish teachers deprived of their livelihood.

Organised Anti-Jewish Campaign

In some cases where Jewish teachers were actually sent to teach in non-Jewish schools, the mothers of the children, under clerical influence, protested against permission being given to Jewish teachers to instruct Catholic children. Under pressure of the parents and priests, the Jewish teachers are often compelled to leave their posts In addition, now that it is seen that the authorities allow these protests against Jewish teachers to go on, many Catholic communities have started a campaign to force the Government to separate the Jewish children altogether and create a school "Ghetto." In Bialystok, and other towns, parents headed by the clergy have submitted special memoranda to that effect to the school authorities.

On the top of all this comes the question of religion. Article 120 of the Polish Constitution provides that in all educational establishments supported or subsidised by the State embracing the education of youths under 18, "the teaching of religion shall be compulsory for all pupils." The authorities are therefore compelled to provide facilities in each State school for the teaching of religion. But as there is a shortage of school-rooms the teaching of Jewish religion is being restricted by shortening the number of hours provided for Jewish religion, or by bringing the pupils from two establishments together to receive tuition, and as the Jewish religion must be taught by a Jew whom the State has to pay, many more Jewish teachers have become superfluous. The same law is also restricting Jewish teachers in purely Jewish schools. The Jewish Socialist Organisation, the Bund, has developed a net of schools where Yiddish is taught, but where religion is anathema. The authorities are now attempting to introduce religious teaching in these schools too, with the result that the number of such schools and consequently of their teaching staff, has undergone a reduction.

More Terrorism

Scores of Jewish traders from Congress Poland attending market day at Smigiel, in Posen, last week, were attacked by young Endeks and their goods destroyed. The police intervened to protect the Jews. Attacks on Jews were also made recently by Endek students in Warsaw and Lemberg. In Warsaw, a Jewish shop was destroyed by a bomb and the owner critically injured. This is the seventh bomb attack on Jews in Warsaw within the last few weeks. In Cracow, the Jewish cemetery was desecrated and a number of tombstones destroyed.

In the village of Creisk, near Kowel, an entire Jewish family of four was murdered by unknown persons.

Jewish students demonstrated in Warsaw last week before the offices of the Warsaw Rabbinate as a protest against the hesitation shown by the Rabbis in putting into force a decision to permit, "under compulsion," that the bodies of Jews who die in hospital without kin should be given up for dissection. The students complain that they are meanwhile being barred from the dissection rooms. The offices were wrecked. Police were called in and cleared the students out of the building. Similar riots took place in Lemberg before the Communal offices. There have also been disturbances by Jewish students demanding an increase in the subsidy granted by the Community towards the payment of their University fees.

Following representations by the Jewish deputies the Ministry for Trade has agreed to lift the order restricting the rights of Jewish artisans under thirty years of age to practice their profession. The decision will benefically affect about 5,000 persons. The United Jewish Artisanship Committee has proclaimed a "Week of Jewish Artisanship" in order to whip up all Jewish artisans to lodge immediately their applications for legalisation of their workshops, the last date for which is December 31st. Failure to do so will mean loss of rights to carry on such workshops.

The ill-fated passengers of the "Velos," who set off for Palestine in August, but were not allowed to land there, are now, after their long odyssey, in Zaleszczyki, on the Polish-Rumanian frontier, awaiting permission to enter Palestine legally.

RUMANIA

Two New Anti-Jewish Organisations

More Student Excesses

A new anti-Jewish organisation akin to the suppressed Iron Guard has been formed in Rumania under the name of the "Generation of Fire." It is headed by General Contacusino Granitcher, a violent anti-Semite who co-operated with Codreanu in the Iron Guard. A second organisation has been formed by the anti-Semitic leader ex-Deputy Stelescu, under the name of the "White Guard." The new Organisation has begun to publish an organ, THE CRUSADE OF THE RUMANIANS, which is full of attacks on Jews.

Anti-Jewish excesses occurred recently at the Universities of Bucharest, Jassy, Cluj, Kishineff and Czernowitz, where anti-Semitic students assaulted their Jewish colleagues. The Government has ordered gendarmes to assist the University authorities in maintaining order. Eight anti-Jewish agitators have been arrested at Bielz.

Speaking last week at the Liberal Party Congress held at Storozynetz, in Bukovina, Dr. Nister, a member of the Government, declared: "Every citizen of this State is equal to us, whether he is a Rumanian, a Jew, a Ukrainian or a Pole. All are equal, and we make no distinction whatever between citizens of this country, no matter what language they may speak."

The authorities have closed down the Jewish League in aid of Jewish Colonisation Work in Biro-Bidjan. Several of its leaders together with leaders of the Jewish Cultural League, which was also closed down recently, have been arrested.

The first All-Rumanian Conference of all sections of the Agudath Israel in Rumania has just been held at Dorne, Bukovina. Mr. Meir Schwarzman of Warsaw, represented the Agudath Israel Central Office.

HUNGARY

Hungarian Jews' Rights in Germany

"Ufa" Company Loses Important Case

The Supreme Court of Hungary has handed down an important decision, which makes it possible for Jews who are Hungarian citizens to bring actions against German concerns for wrongful dismissal on the ground of the Aryan Paragraph.

Victor Gertler, a film director, who was under contract with the "Ufa" Company, was dismissed on a day's notice, the altered political conditions being given as the reason for this action. Gertler brought a complaint before an Arbitration Court that met in Berlin, and was advised to reach some compromise arrangement with the firm, as he was sure to lose the action.

Gertler thereupon brought an action against the "Ufa" before the Budapest Central Court. Counsel for the "Ufa," which till recently had three cinemas in Budapest, but has only one now, contested the competence of the Court, which dismissed his plea, and decided to proceed with the action. The "Ufa" then appealed to the Supreme Court, which, after long consideration, has decided to reject the appeal, ruling that the Hungarian Law Court has jurisdiction.

In the course of recent demonstrations by Budapest students against Yugoslavia, a section of the demonstrators turned their attacks against the Jews, driving them out of the lecture-halls. In Debreczen, unknown persons broke into the local Synagogue, causing considerable damage. The Debreczen police have confiscated anti-Jewish leaflets issued by the local Nazis.

SWITZERLAND

Anti-Jewish Incitement Banned

Bomb Attack on Zurich Synagogue

[*From our Correspondent.*—BASLE]

The Cantonal authorities of Basle have summarily ordered the editors, publishers and printers of the VOLKSBUND, the organ of the Swiss National Socialists, to cease their anti-Jewish attacks, which are declared to be a "menace to religious peace and public tranquillity," and contrary to the Constitution. Ritual murder lies and the anti-Jewish boycott are particularly condemned.

That anti-Jewish incitement is having its effect in Switzerland is evidenced by a recent attack on the Freigutstrasse Synagogue, in Zürich, where considerable damage was caused by a bomb. The police have succeeded in arresting three youths who confessed to the outrage. They are members of the Swiss "National Front" and "Volksbund" movement.

Only a week before this occurrence, a number of meetings of an anti-Semitic character were held in Zürich, and the cry of "*Juda verrecke!*" was openly raised in the streets. The police made several arrests.

BELGIUM—All Jewish refugees arrested during recent police raids in Antwerp have now been released following representations by Jewish bodies. All aliens for whom the Jewish bodies offer guarantees, it is stated, will not be molested and will be given full opportunity either to settle down in Belgium in such a way as not to harm the interests of Belgian workers, or to emigrate under favourable conditions to other countries.

The Belgian anti-Semites have initiated a violent campaign against the new Minister of Finance, M. Gutt, and the Foreign Minister, M. Hymans, who are both of Jewish origin.

Professor H. Speyer, of the University of Brussels, which has just celebrated its centenary, has been decorated by King Leopold with the Order of the African Star. Professor Speyer is Vice-President of the Jewish Agency.

FRANCE—The World-Union Poale-Zion-Hitachduth has officially informed the Executive Committee for the Jewish World Congress, that it is delegating Messrs. Yarblum (Paris), Dr. A. Silberschein (Lemberg), Engineer Reisz (Warsaw), and Dr. Helman (Warsaw), as its representatives in the Executive of the Jewish World Congress, Messrs. N. Herman (Paris), Dr. A. Tartakower (Lodz), A. Bialopolsky (Warsaw) and Dr. Garfunkel (Kovno) are deputy members.

The great "House of Chemistry," built in Paris by the contributions of sixty-five different nations, and dedicated to the memory of the late Dr. Ludwig Mond, has been formally opened in the presence of his son, Sir Robert Mond, M. Lebrun, the President of the French Republic, and a large gathering of distinguished scientists. The Institution will be the seat of the International Union of Chemistry and the International Chemistry Office and will centralise the research work of the world.

TRIPOLI—Rabbi Dr. Gustavo Castel-Bolognesi, who has been for several months in the Italian colony of Tripoli on a mission on behalf of the Union of Jewish Communities in Italy, of unifying and re-organising local Jewish communal life, has been elected Chief Rabbi and President of the Rabbinical Council of Tripoli. The Tripolitan Jewish Community numbers about 15,000.

ITALY—The Italian Government has invited a number of prominent authorities from various countries to attend the opening of the "Benito Mussolini" Institute in Rome, which, it is claimed, is the largest health institute in the world. From Germany it has invited Dr. Guett, Director of the Medical Section of the Reich Ministry of the Interior; Dr. Sauerbruch, of Berlin, and Dr. Lydia Rabinowitsch-Kempner, the Berlin tuberculosis research worker. Dr. Rabinowitsch-Kempner, who was formerly Director of the Bacteriological Institute in the Moabit Hospital of Berlin, is a Jewess. She has been received in audience by Signor Mussolini.

Minorities in Czechoslovakia

A NATION'S PROUD RECORD

Mr. J. V. Hyka, Secretary of the Czechoslovak Legation, who is shortly returning to the Foreign Office in Prague, lectured last week on "The Minority Problem and the Jewish Question in Czechoslovakia," under the auspices of the Anglo-Palestinian Club at Duchess House, Warren Street, W. Mr. Maurice Arram presided.

Mr. Hyka gave examples in his lecture of the tolerant treatment which Czechoslovakia, with a Jewish population of 356,000, accords its minorities, which treatment, he said, had led to very good results.

"There has never been in Czechoslovakia any case of persecution or of *numerus clausus*," he said. "Nobody has been debarred from following his profession, pursuing a course of study, entering a university or a school, or following any career because he was a Jew. The tolerance of the laws and of the people is absolutely without any reproach." They always had, said Mr. Hyka, two or three Jews who were members of the Government.

Replying to questions Mr. Hyka said, in connection with the large number of refugees who were in Prague at present, that in so far as these refugees did not disturb the peace of the country they were entitled to exactly the same civic rights as in any other country. There were a great number of Jewish refugees from Germany, and 90 per cent. of all contributions for the help of these refugees from Germany came from Jewish sources, so that the Jewish refugees were usually better looked after than the other refugees.

Dealing with a question in connection with the recent disorders at Prague University, he said the whole story was utterly trivial.

COUNCILLOR HARRY MYERS has been elected Chairman of the Libraries Committee of the Holborn Borough Council.

Biro-Bidjan

Helping to Solve the Jewish Problem

LORD MARLEY'S VIEWS

Lord Marley spoke at two meetings this week on Biro-Bidjan: one on Sunday to the University of London Jewish Union Society, at Woburn House, and the other on Wednesday evening, at 107, Brondesbury Park (the residence of Dr. and Mrs. Maurice Sorsby). At Wednesday's meeting Dr. MAURICE SORSBY presided.

Lord MARLEY referred to the strong anti-Semitic feeling growing all over the world, and said that in the interests of World Jewry as a whole it behoved all of them to examine, without prejudice, every possible opportunity for finding permanent places of settlement for oppressed Jewish people. Palestine had already done much for such people. The United States, Canada and the Argentine, could no longer be considered for immigration. The Portuguese Government resisted the Angola scheme because they were afraid that the German-Jewish refugees being highly assimilated and more German than the Germans in many ways, if they settled there, before long they would demand that the whole of the area be returned to Germany as a German colony. The Soviet Union gave its minorities complete freedom to develop their own cultural and economic life. There were 50,000 inhabitants in Biro-Bidjan, of whom 13,000 were Jews. About half the Jewish population work at agriculture on seven or eight Jewish collective farms. The Jewish inhabitants were very proud of the work being done there. He had attended meetings in Biro-Bidjan at which 600 to 700 Jews were present and they were unanimous in expressing their resentment of the attacks on Biro-Bidjan, which they consider to be quite unfounded. Lord Marley then spoke of future possibilities of settlement there, and said that all proper schemes for the settlement of Jews should be considered without prejudice. All proposals had their difficulties. There was ample room both for the Palestinian and the Biro-Bidjan settlements.

Enquiries for Missing Relatives

Enquiries have been received by THE JEWISH CHRONICLE with regard to the following Missing Relatives, etc.:

Benzion (Benia) Bogdanofsky (probably known as Bogden), engineer, in London, is sought by Dr. A. Wissotzky, of Tel-Aviv.

Children of the late Joseph Abel, of Birmingham, are sought by Miss R. Rosenfeld, of Brondesbury.

Information with regard to the above will be gladly received at the Offices of THE JEWISH CHRONICLE, 2, Finsbury Square, London, E.C.2, and duly transmitted to the proper quarters.

Correspondents in Eastern Europe are reminded to enclose addressed envelopes when communicating with relatives in Western Europe or America.

The Editor's Post-Bag

SECULAR MUSIC AND THE SYNAGOGUE

At a recent Jewish wedding the acclamations of the audience were most vociferous when the officiating Chazan made use of the melody "La Donna è Mobile" from Rigoletto, towards the conclusion of the Shevah Berachoth. A gentleman recently spoke to me in the most laudatory terms of a Chazan, lately appointed by a leading provincial Synagogue, because that Cantor embellished the first and second series of Hoshanas in terms of well-known melodies from "Aida" and the "Desert Song" respectively. Are we so deficient in our reserves of traditional liturgical music that we must have recourse to secular sources? Or was the Chazan ignorant of our musical wealth? And does the praise of the congregants indicate that the Jewish public is totally unaware of the significance of our religious music?—The Rev. S. H. MORRIS, 102, Anfield Road, Anfield, Liverpool 4.

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Art Notes

Four Jews Under Rothenstein

The 1934 Exhibition of the Royal College of Art Sketch Club at the Victoria and Albert Museum is, presumably, the last under the presidency of Sir William Rothenstein. It must, therefore, be encouraging for him to realise what a good exhibition it is. The wide variety of outlook and high technical level of the 511 holiday works exhibited indicate really helpful teaching. One notices four Jews among the exhibitors.

Mervyn Levy's drawing of "Norman Pettit" (No. 20) is a powerfully drawn face with good contours, but the difficulties of the head have been avoided by a superficial dramatic trick. In "Drawing" (No. 32) he has again treated the face skilfully, but he has avoided other difficulties by slickness in spite of the good quality of his line. In No. 35, which like the others is well planned, his deliberate striving for effect (in this case by blurring certain parts) is much more justified. His oil "Nude" (No. 50) has to be described as "in the Matthew Smith manner," a manner which is quite a useful essay for a student. Unfortunately the chest alone has received due care and it has amply repaid it. Why did he not bother equally about the rest, the right arm, for instance? "Boy" (No. 81) is altogether an able sketch in really lovely colours.

Louis Kiverstein is represented by an oil-painting entitled "October" (No. 59). This is a good shot at æsthetic realism with really beautiful shapes. The only major criticism is that the three figures are not equally satisfactory: the middle figure is not quite strong enough and the right figure is insufficiently related.

Michael Goldberg has two oils, "Head of a Boy" (No. 72) is a beautiful head, such as we already expect of him. It is very accomplished, with a charming touch of colour in the tie; but one has an uncomfortable feeling that Mr. Goldberg is already becoming an academician. The hair and right ear, for instance, have received no more than clever treatment. "Reflection" (No. 91) again is exceptionally able. The head is finely realised, and the pullover and braces and the tumbler are beautifully painted, but there is little evidence of interest in shapes or other æsthetic pleasures. Mr. Goldberg is an unconscious stylist, but he seems to be accepting formulæ to avoid analysis, *e.g.*, in the shadows under the chin and nostrils.

There remains Kathleen Moss, whose hand-woven rug (No. 156) is a charming and amusing design in black and red ochre with its spaces well filled. The Batik hanging (No. 171) is even more delightful and the door curtain (No. 186), though apparently displayed wrong side up, also demonstrates that she is obviously a colourist. Her sketchbook (No. 192) shows that she is a draughtsman as well as a decorator and has a sense of character as well as of humour, but she is not successful in her rare essays in colour-realism. The porcelain "Jemima" (No. 230) is a very amusing caricature delightfully coloured, and "Hector" (No. 329) and two bowls (Nos. 277 and 334) further demonstrate her versatility.

Feder in London

Feder, the well-known Franco-Jewish post-impressionist, has been in London arranging an exhibition for the near future. He is of particular interest to Jews on account of his illustrations to Pierre Bonardi's "Retour à Jérusalem" and the poems of Arthur Rimbaud. He has also done figure-studies and landscapes in Algeria and many parts of France. There are oils of his in the Luxemburg Gallery of Paris, in the Museums of Havre and Grenoble and in the Tretiakoff Museum at Moscow. I have seen about twenty of his water-colours and I am confident that they will give great pleasure even in England, where the standard for this medium has always been particularly high. One of the volumes in the Editions de l' Amitié Française is devoted to Feder's work, giving seventeen half-tone reproductions; and the author, Gustave Kahn, refers to the vexed question of whether there is such a thing as Jewish art. "It is a fact," he says, "that there are Jewish painters and that they are not entirely like the others." In the art of Camille Pissarro, however, he finds no special indication of Judaism. "There is nothing Biblical in his art, even if his head (*masque*) is profoundly and undeniably Jewish. One finds no trace of Judaism in him except in the intensity with which he worked and the beauty of his patriarchal life." M. Kahn finds the case of Josef Israels rather different, but only because he so often found the story of Israel his inspiration. For his technique was purely occidental, being derived mainly from Rembrandt and Courbet—and may I add that Rembrandt himself frequently found inspiration from Jews? It is only, in fact, as M. Kahn points out, when Israels used Jewish subject-matter that his art could be called Jewish, and then it could be called so by virtue of its intensity and understanding—qualities, may I again add, that Rembrandt, a non-Jew, also showed when dealing with Jewish subject-matter. M. Kahn concludes "There is no Jewish painting, since all pictorial technique is occidental, Italian, Spanish, French, English, German, but there is a Jewish sensibility, which gives certain common traits of emotion and of maturity and of imagination (*rêverie*), in return, to the works of the new painters of Jewish origin. One finds them among those of Paris, as well as among those that come from Poland, from Rumania, from Lithuania, from the Ukraine, from Palestine. They use the technique of the West. They bring the vision of the East. They present it according to their pictorial science, Feder in the same proportion as the rest and with a characteristically sure yet flexible craftsmanship."

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SIR ISIDORE SALMON, M.P., AND LADY SPIELMAN will open the new playground on Sunday, which is equipped with the apparatus presented by Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Wolfson, at the Jewish Orphanage, West Norwood.

MR. JOSEPH BAKER, Barrister-at-Law, of Lincoln's Inn, has been elected Chairman of the Assessment Committee for the Borough of Holborn.

News Items

Richmond District Synagogue—A lecture will be delivered next Monday evening at half-past eight at the Jewish Institute, Parkshot, by Mr. J. Calmy, on "The Jew of To-day." Lt.-Col. J. H. Levey will preside.

Home and Hospital for Incurables—The concert on Sunday was given by the Convivials Musical Society, under the direction of Mr. C. Gilbert, who acknowledged the vote of thanks to the artists, proposed by Mr. Bernard H. Segal.

Jewish Free Reading Room—On Friday evening last, Miss Sybil Rosenfeld delivered a lecture on "Contemporary English Drama." Mrs. E. Lipson presided. This evening, Mr. J. E. Belasco will speak on "Anti-Semitism."

Old Boys' Club—Last Monday at the Club, Dr. Hector St. Luke delivered a lantern lecture on "What Art Means to the Artist and to the Public." Mr. S. B. Horinsky presided. Mr. Sharpe proposed a vote of thanks to the lecturer. The following took part in the discussion: Messrs. Levene, Franco, Mothio, Cohen and Brief.

Central Jewish Lecture Committee—Mr. M. J. Woddis was the principal speaker on Sunday afternoon at the Excelsior Cinema, Bethnal Green. The audience consisted entirely of Christians. Mr. Woddis spoke on "The Jew of To-Day." Mr. Seymour, Warden of the Oxford House Settlement, presided.

B'nai B'rith (First Lodge of England)—Bro. the Rev. H. Mayerowitsch will deliver an address on "Ancient and Modern Synagogue Music," with gramophone and vocal illustrations, on Sunday next, at 9.30 p.m., in the B'nai B'rith Room, Jewish Communal Centre, immediately following a members' meeting of the First Lodge of England, which begins at 8.15. The public is invited to the lecture.

Chevra Gemilus Chasodim Synagogue—At a meeting of the congregation held at 16, Wicker Street, E., with Mr. Levy in the Chair, the following were elected: Messrs. Herman, Chairman; Weinstein, Vice-Chairman; Miller, Treasurer; Jacob and Posner, Trustees; Citron and Malina, Wardens; Bestimt, Linde and P. Bookatz, Auditors; and a Committee.

Wembley District Synagogue—At a distribution of prizes to the pupils of the Classes held last week, Mr. W. A. Sadie introduced Mr. I. W. Goldberg who presided and distributed the prizes. The Chairman thanked Mr. and Mrs. L. Rolnick for their gift to the Synagogue of silver bells and breastplate. An entertainment and refreshments were provided by the Ladies' Guild.

South London Liberal Synagogue—A special service conducted by Mr. S. M. Rich was held on Saturday, at which the Hon. Mrs. E. L. Franklin addressed the children of the Religion School, who performed a play entitled "Judas Maccabeus," specially written by Mrs. R. Yeatman-Woolf with incidental music by Miss Theodora Davis. The play was produced by Mrs. T. A. Frankford.

Ilford and Valentine's Park Synagogue Hebrew Classes—The annual Prize Distribution was held at the Synagogue, 16, Coventry Road, on Thursday in last week. The Rev. G. G. Bloch officiated at the Service held prior to the function. The Ladies' Guild provided the refreshments and some of the prizes. Mrs. J. Monsovitch, Chairman of the Ladies' Guild, distributed the awards. Mrs. Bernstein presented special prizes.

The Jewish Institute—On Friday evening last, the Rev. Z. Tabachnik delivered an address. On Saturday evening, a concert was given by the pupils of Redmans Road and Bethnal Green Talmud Torahs, arranged by the Rev. J. K. Goldbloom, and assisted by Mr. Sirokin and Miss L. Goldberg. The concert on Sunday evening was arranged by Mrs. Leon Rueff. The artists were the Misses M. Lavers, E. Warren, Nina Milkin, M. Chamberlain and Hedli Anderson. Mr. Barnett Janner, M.P., presided.

Harrow and Kenton Jewish Ladies' Guild—A successful dance was held by the Guild at the Headstone Hotel, North Harrow, in aid of the Synagogue Building Fund. Last Sunday, under the auspices of the Guild, a tea was held at 28, Sheepcote Road, Harrow, for all the Jewish children in the neighbourhood. A successful cinema entertainment followed, provided by Mr. Albert L. Phillips. Intending members of the Guild should communicate with Mrs. C. Smith, 634, Kenton Road, Kenton.

Ilford Synagogue Ladies' Guild—At a meeting of the Guild held at the Synagogue, a satisfactory report on the year's work was given by the President, Mrs. J. Monsovitch. The balance-sheet was adopted. The election resulted as follows: Mesdames J. Monsovitch, President; J. Saunders, Vice-President; A. Lebetkin, Treasurer; A. Gabriel, Hon. Secretary; J. H. Wolfson and M. Lishner, Auditors; and a Committee of sixteen. Thanks were accorded to the retiring Officers and Committee.

North London Secondary Classes for Girls—An "Open Day" was held at the Classes on Sunday. Two plays were performed by pupils, "The Light of Israel," by Rose Parsky, and "Hannah and Her Seven Sons," by Jay Crosby. The Junior Class also performed. Mr. A. I. Bard, Chairman of the Managers' Committee, appealed to the parents to support the function in aid of the Classes to be held to-morrow night at the North London Jewish Club, 204a, Amhurst Road, N.

Redmans Road Talmud Torah—Last week, the children of the Talmud Torah received clothes and boots which were distributed by Mrs. J. Hyams, President of the Ladies' Society, assisted by Mesdames Kramer and Walters. A special gift of twenty pairs of boots was donated by Mrs. L. Segalov. On Wednesday evening in last week, a treat was given to all the children of the Talmud Torah. Rabbi M. Rabinovitz addressed the audience and spoke of the excellent work of the Ladies' Society. Mrs. J. Hyams and Mrs. S. Portugal appealed for funds and over £20 was collected.

Romford Hebrew Congregation—The first anniversary of the establishment of the Congregation was celebrated last week at 39, Eastern Road. A dinner was given in honour of Mr. and Mrs. Montague Samuel. On behalf of the Congregation, Mr. M. Masel presented an illuminated address to Mr. Samuel who had given a Sefer Torah, books, etc., to the Synagogue during the year. The speakers included Messrs. Nead and Fistul and the Rev. Walter Levin. Mr. Samuel responded. The Rev. L. Blumenthal rendered musical items.

Anshei Belz Synagogue—A general meeting of the Congregation was held recently at 90, Commercial Road, E. The Balance-sheet was adopted and the election resulted as follows: Messrs. L. Coleman, Chairman; L. Woolf, Vice-Chairman; A. Mann, Treasurer; Saunders and Yeger, Wardens; Schwett, Feigenbaum, Zimmer, Ch. Glassman and J. Glassman, Auditors; L. Coleman and A. Mann, Delegates to the West End Burial Society; C. Parsons, 37, Stepney Green Buildings, E.1, Collector; M. Springler, 29, Christian Street, E.1, Secretary; and a Committee of eleven.

Booth Street Relief Institution—Over 200 Jewish children from the poorest quarters of London were entertained to a tea last week at the Golders Green Synagogue Hall by members of the Relief Institution, who bore the entire expenses, without one penny being taken from the funds

of the Society. Special thanks were accorded to Messrs. Michael Lewis, Barnett Morris, George Burchell, Miss Irene Michaels, to the Committee of the Synagogue and to Messrs. Naar (who provided the cinema entertainment) and Mrs. Naar for assisting in organising the function.

British Legion (Maccabean Branch)—The Women's Section of the Branch will hold a Jumble Sale on Tuesday next at two p.m. at the King's Hall, 83/5, Commercial Road, E. The sale will be opened by Mrs. M. Adler, President, assisted by Mrs. J. H. Marcus, Vice-President, and Mrs. B. Kurtz, Chairman. The proceeds will be devoted to the relief of needy Jewish ex-servicemen and their families.

Home for Aged Jews and Jewish Home of Rest—Mr. and Mrs. B. Davis, of 88, Chatsworth Road, N.W., and their relatives visited both institutions on the 1st day of Chanucah, and provided a special tea and other comforts for the patients, as a thank-offering on Mr. Davis' recovery from a serious illness. Mr. and Mrs. A. Landy, of 72, Sudbourne Road, S.W., accompanied by several members of the Brixton Synagogue, also entertained the old people to a treat.

Mile End and Bow Talmud Torah—A new class-room was opened on Sunday by Mrs. A. Simon, in memory of her mother. She was handed a key by Mr. H. Davis. Rabbi J. Lew addressed the audience on the importance of Talmudic learning, and paid a tribute to the Honorary Officers for their zealous work. The Rev. J. Rosenfeld officiated. The President, Mr. M. Courts, appealed for support on behalf of the Talmud Torah; and Mrs. A. Simon responded with a cheque for £25. A reception followed in the Synagogue Hall. Thanks were accorded to Mr. and Mrs. A. Moss for arranging the function.

Jewish Ex-Servicemen's Legion—Mr. A. L. Easterman addressed the Legion at its Headquarters, 43, Great Prescot Street, E., on "The Situation of the Jews in Europe." He said that Jews were by training and culture a people of peace, and it was to the Jewish people that all ideas of peace could be traced. Many Jews did their utmost after the War to reduce the burdens of Germany. They had been repaid by brutality, by attack on their honour and loss of self-respect. It was as much for the Jew in Germany as for the Jews throughout the world that the boycott should continue. A vote of thanks to the lecturer was proposed by Mr. Saltiel and seconded by Mr. Scher.

United Synagogue Fellowship—The fortnightly functions continue to be very successful. On Monday week, the Rev. Michael Adler gave an illustrated lecture on "The Pre-Expulsion Period of Anglo-Jewish History." On Monday next, Professor Samson Wright will lecture on "Jewish Health Work in Palestine." Several new activities have been made possible by the excellent suite of rooms used by the members at the Jewish Institute. A Hebrew class is taken by Dr. E. Bernstein on Fridays. The Hon. Secretary, Miss Netta Lee, will be glad to supply details of the Fellowship's work on application at the Jewish Institute, Mulberry Street, E.1.

Cannon Street Road Synagogue—Mr. A. Mann presided at the Annual Meeting of the Congregation held on Saturday evening. The Balance-sheet showing an income of £1,275, and an expenditure of £1,268, was adopted. The following were elected: Messrs. A. Mann, President; S. Pomeransky, Vice-President; P. Gimmack, Treasurer; A. Brand, M. Pearlow, Wardens, Second Minyan; N. Turshenowsky, J. Chaitow, Wardens, First Minyan; I. Dainow, D. Forstadt, E. Solowitz and S. Cohen, Auditors; D. Abramovitz, P. Greenbaum, J. Saietta and D. Lindan, Trustees; P. J. Gerber, Rabbi; the Rev. N. Halter, Reader; Mr. H. Kintzler, Secretary; and a Committee of twenty-five. Thanks were accorded to the Honorary Officers for their past services.

Sons of Britchan Synagogue—Mr. D. A. Agdeshman presided at a meeting of members. The Secretary read the Balance-sheet, which was adopted. The election resulted as follows: Messrs. D. A. Agdeshman, Chairman; H. Oberman, Vice-Chairman; M. Bromberg, Treasurer; M. Shankleman and A. Pollack, Wardens; N. Goldstein, H. Oberman and M. Bromberg, Trustees; S. Abramovitch, A. Schnur, J. Lasky and B. Gothelf, Auditors; D. A. Agdeshman, Delegate to the Burial Board; M. Barber and A. Schnur, Delegates to the Federation of Synagogues; M. Barber and A. Cohen, Delegates to the Zionist Federation; and a Committee of eight. The Secretary, Mr. S. Wolkind (36, Sidney Street, E.1), and the Collector, Mr. A. Chaikin, were re-elected.

Ealing and Acton Synagogue Classes—Mr. Hyman Isaacs presided last week, at the annual Prize Distribution. A cheque contributed to by the pupils was handed to Mrs. Hyman Isaacs (who distributed the awards), and donated to the Jews Free School Boys' Club. The Chairman of the Classes, Mr. L. J. Hydleman, presented a bookcase, in the name of the pupils and Committee, to the Rev. M. Berman, a former teacher, who was recently appointed Minister of the Wembley Synagogue. Thanks were accorded to the Teaching Staff by Mr. S. Rosenbloom and responded to by the Rev. A. Rose, and to Mr. and Mrs. Hyman Isaacs, by Messrs. G. Isaacs and M. Levy. Mr. H. Isaacs referred to the efficient way in which the Classes were cared for by the Committee and the Ladies' Guild.

Jews' Free School Old Boys' Club—Lord Howe lectured at the Club recently on "Some Experiences of a Racing Motorist." Mr. S. C. H. Davis presided. Messrs. C. S. Miester, S. Halperin and A. Cohen took part in the discussion. Last Thursday Mr. R. V. Walling gave a talk at the Club on "The Story of your Daily Paper." Mr. H. C. Bradley presided, and Messrs. M. Norton and H. A. Satter took part in the discussion. On Sunday evening a concert was held in the large hall in aid of the funds of the Junior Section. Over 300 people were present at the function, which was organised by Messrs. Harry Epstein and H. A. Satter. The Secretary will be pleased to send a copy of the new syllabus of lectures to all applying at the Club, 102, Middlesex Street, E.1.

Trade Items

THE introduction of a new brand of hand-made Havana Cigars on the market is no small task. The difficulty of overcoming British prejudice for an established and well-known article, is enormous. During the past seven months, the popularity of Gispert Cigars has been phenomenal. At Princes Street, Hanover Square, W., Cuban Cigars, Ltd., world concessionaires for Gispert Gigars, have sold half-a-million already. Most of the well-known establishments in the West End, such as Restaurants, Clubs, Hotels, etc., stock Gispert Cigars; and they have been received everywhere with great satisfaction.

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King Edward's Hospital Fund

The General Council of the Fund is distributing to Hospitals and Convalescent Homes grants amounting to £320,000. The following are included: Jewish Home of Rest, £100; Jewish Maternity Hospital, £371, of which £200 goes towards purchase of site for out-patient Clinics and Nurses' accommodation; London Jewish Hospital £1,244, of which £50 goes towards recent alterations; Jewish Board of Guardians, Anthony and Annie Müller Convalescent Home, Broadstairs, £25; Clara Baroness de Hirsch Convalescent Home, Hampstead, £35; Convalescent Home for Boys, Hove, £30; Samuel Lewis Seaside Convalescent Home, Walton-on-the-Naze, £50.

The Chief Rabbi was present at the House of Lords on Tuesday morning at the Annual Meeting of the King Edward's Hospital Fund for London. H.R.H. the Prince of Wales presided.

ONE of the members of the Deputation from the East London College to whom Her Majesty the Queen presented the Royal Charter of Incorporation, under its new name of Queen Mary College, at Buckingham Palace, on Wednesday, was Mr. A. A. B. Rubenstein, B.Sc., President of the Union Society of the College.

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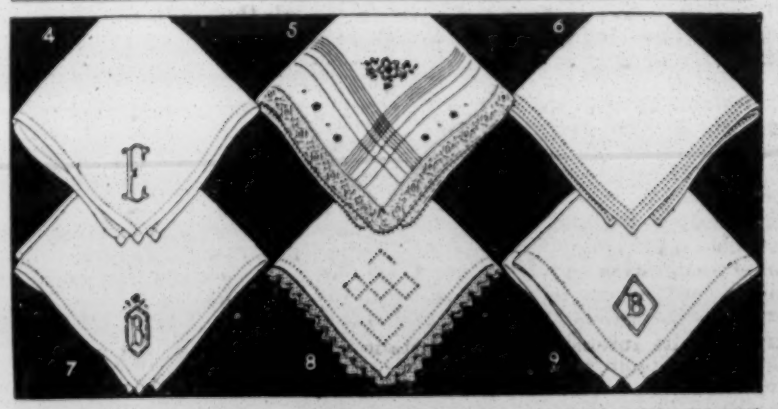

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For Filling. — Cream, 1 gill. White of 1 egg. Castor sugar, 2 teaspoonfuls. A few violets.

For Meringue Base.

Whites of 2 eggs. Castor sugar, 4 ozs.

WASH the chestnuts; cut a tiny piece off the top. Put in a saucepan of boiling water and boil until the outer and inner shells can be easily removed and the chestnuts are quite tender. Remove the skins and rub the chestnuts through a wire sieve; then return to a saucepan. Add the milk and sugar, and stir over a gentle heat until all the moisture is absorbed, and the mixture is firm and dry; flavour with vanilla. Put the meringue base on a flat glass dish, and put the chestnut mixture through the potato ricer in a high circle around, leaving a space in the middle to fill with cream. It is a good plan to place a tumbler upside down in the centre before putting the chestnut around. Take out the glass. Whip the cream till quite thick; add the stiffly whipped white of an egg and the sugar. Flavour with vanilla and heap up in the centre of the chestnut. Garnish the cream with a few violets.

For the Meringue Base.—Whip the egg whites till very stiff and dry; then fold in the sugar. Thoroughly oil a shallow, round tin. Line it with greaseproof paper and brush this over with oil; then put in the meringue and smooth over. Cook in a very cool oven for one hour. If using a controlled oven, set at ¼. Turn out and, when cool, remove the paper. If this has stuck, moisten the paper with cold water.

Apricot Flan

Flour, 8 ozs. Castor sugar, 2 teaspoonfuls.
Butter, 4 ozs. Two egg yolks.
Cold water. Tin of apricots.
Apricot glaze.

SIEVE flour and sugar into a basin, rub in the butter until the mixture looks like fine breadcrumbs. Add a tablespoonful of water to the well beaten egg yolks, make a well in the centre of the flour and pour it in, mix to a fairly stiff dough, adding a little more water if necessary. Turn out on a floured board and roll out to about quarter-of-an-inch thick. Line a deep sandwich tin with greased paper and put in the pastry, pressing it well to shape with floured fingers. Trim off the pastry round the top with a sharp floured knife. Place a circular piece of greased paper inside the flan and fill up with rice or butter beans (these can be used repeatedly and should be kept especially for the purpose) in order to keep the pastry in position while it is cooking. Bake in a moderately hot oven for half-an-hour. When baked remove the paper and return to the oven for a few minutes to dry the centre. Then turn on to a wire tray to cool. Drain the syrup very thoroughly from the apricots, arrange them on the flan and carefully spoon over the warm apricot glaze.

Keep in a cool place till required and serve cold. Any other fruit, tinned or fresh, can be used instead of the apricots.

Apricot Glaze

Fruit juice (from the tinned apricots), 1 gill. Cornflour, ½ oz.
Sugar, 1½ ozs. Apricot jam, 3 ozs.

SIEVE the apricot jam and boil it with the sugar and fruit juice. Blend the cornflour with a little cold water; pour on the boiling syrup, stirring carefully to avoid lumps. Return to the saucepan, boil hard while stirring for three minutes and use when slightly cooled. This can also be used with peaches, mixed fruit, cherries and pears.

Nut Frappe

Jelly, 1 pint. Pistachio nuts.
Cream, half-pint. Shelled walnuts, 1 teacupful.
Castor sugar, ½ teacupful. Glacé cherries.

MAKE an ordinary jelly and, when nearly set, add the stiffly whipped cream mixed with the sugar and chopped walnuts. Beat thoroughly; serve in custard glasses and decorate with glacé cherries and chopped pistachio nuts.

Pears With Chocolate Sauce

One tin preserved pears. White of an egg.
Chocolate, 3 ozs.

DRAIN off the syrup and arrange the pears in a glass dish. Heat the syrup and melt the chocolate in it. Beat up the egg white to a stiff froth. Stir into the hot chocolate sauce; pour over the pears and serve cold.

Willesden District Synagogue

The consecration of a Sefer Torah, presented by Mrs. Bessie Feather (of Manchester), was held at the Synagogue on Sunday afternoon. The Rev. A. Elfand, of the Brondesbury Synagogue, conducted the Service. In his address, the Rev. M. Spira, the Minister, stressed the importance the Torah had played in the life of the Jewish people throughout the ages. He spoke of the various activities developing in conjunction with their Synagogue, and paid tribute to the work of the Ladies' Guild. Mr. A. Stockley, Chairman of the Congregation, thanked Mrs. Feather for her presentation, and other donors for their valuable gifts for the Synagogue and Classes. Dr. W. Sandleson appealed for the new Building Fund. After the ceremony, a Prize Distribution to the pupils of the Hebrew Classes was held. Mrs. Feather distributed the prizes assisted by Mr. Buchman and the pupils performed a Chanucah play. The Synagogue has regular Services every morning at 7.15, and the Hebrew Classes meet three times a week.

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Parliamentary Notes

AIR PORT FACILITIES IN PALESTINE

ANXIETY ABOUT SAAR MINORITIES

[From our Parliamentary Correspondent]

The general development of the air sense which is being experienced among legislators is directing quite a considerable amount of attention to the question of facilities for air travel in Palestine and the Near East. It is felt that an aerodrome at Gaza does not satisfy even the most modest claims of Palestine for an air service which is compatible with the rapid development taking place in other respects; and uneasiness prevails at the reply elicited from the Colonial Secretary to a question put by Mr. Barnett Janner, that definite arrangements had not yet been made with regard to additional aerodromes. The news that the Anglo-Italian Air Transport Convention extends the right to Italian 'planes to land at the civil aerodromes in Palestine and Transjordan, whereas hitherto such rights have been confined only to Haifa, has caused Members to reflect on the desirability of encouraging the advancement of British enterprise in this direction; the loss of the passenger service by sea, to other countries, being commented upon as providing a salutary lesson.

The grave anxiety of the House on the potential danger which lies in the forthcoming Saar plebiscite has been reflected in the questions which are being put to the Foreign Secretary day by day. Favourable comment was expressed on the view that the Saar was not a Franco-German problem but an international problem, and the fears of many were allayed by the news that neither German nor French troops were to be used as a policing force before or immediately after the plebiscite. On the other hand the suggested acceptance of an undertaking by Germany that minority rights could only be protected in the Saar territory for one year after the plebiscite has created a very uneasy atmosphere, and I understand that it is proposed by some Members to cause pressure to be exerted for the removal of the time limit in this respect.

BREAD

National Campaign Started

Commencing with the coming new civil year the millers and bakers throughout Great Britain are going to conduct a great national "Eat More Bread" campaign. The plans for this were duly blessed, at a function held last week, by the Minister for Agriculture, Mr. Walter Elliot, and the Dominions Secretary, Mr. J. H. Thomas.

Bread has always held a place high in symbolic significance and ritual meaning for Jews. Its importance raised it to be the synonym of food, as is seen in the famous text from Genesis: "In the sweat of thy face shalt thou eat thy bread." The sanctity which attached to the sustainer of life was beautifully expressed in the shewbread enshrined in the Temple, while the glorious bride of the Sabbath lends her title to the loaves which adorn our Friday evening tables. No wonder that for Jews a national effort in praise of bread has an added significance; the very word is clustered round with reverent thoughts and happy religious associations.

There is an old Rabbinic tradition that every piece of bread carries a mark of divine favour, for the story goes that when Adam heard the terrible words "and thou shalt eat the herb of the field" he wept and asked God whether he and his ass must eat out of the same manger. But when he heard immediately after the decree that he should eat bread "in the sweat of thy face," he became resigned to a less unbearable fate.

Soon we shall be reading from page and poster the call to appreciate the value of bread, and we shall think of the truth of that wise teacher's saying: "If ye observe the law there will be bread for you to eat." We shall think, too, of those peoples who have broken every law and are forced to hunger in their obstinate belief in brutish force, those for whom there is little bread, in a land where Israel is enslaved, and where the mills of fate are grinding not golden grain but miserable humanity between the stones of race-hatred and race-pride in a process of national degradation.

To-morrow we shall read in the Sidra: "And when money failed in the land of Egypt, and in the land of Canaan, all the Egyptians came unto Joseph and said, give us bread, for why should we die in thy presence? For the money faileth." Economists please note!

The "Saturday Review" and Jews

LADY HOUSTON AND "PUNCH"

Some time ago a contributor to PUNCH severely criticised a poem written by a Jewess praising Lady Houston's amusing reply to a Low cartoon in which she was associated with Sir Oswald Mosley's political activities. In the SATURDAY REVIEW of last week Lady Houston prints again her reply to the PUNCH contributor, and beneath it there is the following footnote:

We take this opportunity of stating the attitude of the SATURDAY REVIEW on the Jewish question. We have the greatest respect for good Jews, and have never failed to praise and support those who are true and loyal to this country. Whoever lacks loyalty and patriotism, whether Jew or Gentile, we oppose. We hold Lord Beaconsfield, that great Conservative, one of the finest Prime Ministers this country has ever had, and showed our respect for him by including him in our gallery of portraits.

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Provincial News

MANCHESTER

The Waterproof Garment Industry

[From our Correspondent]

Several weeks of trade union campaigning, with attendant disputes and strikes, in the waterproof garment industry in Manchester have drawn some attention to this trade of predominantly Jewish interest. It is reckoned that of about 3,000 waterproof workers, 40 per cent. are Jewish, while among over a hundred firms, the Jewish employers compose about 90 per cent. While much of the agitation is of a purely trade nature, industrial or economic in its incidence, there have been alleged some further issues which are perhaps domestic to the Jewish Community of the district.

It is charged by operatives, for instance, that at some Jewish-owned factories discrimination to the point of exclusion is practised against Jewish employees. In the managerial ranks, in smaller shops, there may be a tendency to exclude the Jew—the excuse being that a Jewish manager is prone to leave and open up as his own master as soon as he has gained sufficient business experience—at his former employer's expense.

Factories which open on the Sabbath and close on Sunday are alleged as another cause of friction, and it is said that occasionally one comes across seven-days-a-week opening, while Jewish holy-days mean loss of wages to workers if they should stay away. Again, one may hear, adult Jewish workers often lose their jobs to young non-Jewish girls who, as "learners," are subject to various forms of exploitation, and, of course, lower wages.

Feeling among workers is exacerbated also by the plea of the Jewish Board of Guardians, lately published, that a great number of the applicants for relief come from this and allied trades. The fact that they are compelled to come is unfortunately true, as the industry of waterproofs and rainproofs is a seasonal one and fluctuates in booms and slumps based on such intangible causes as changes of weather. Wages, therefore, are not continuous and relief must be sought.

But one gathers that there is an idea, right or wrong, that it is unfair to have one's case judged by an employer in one's own trade sitting as a member of the Board. Too often, it is claimed, there is a conflict of opinion which could not otherwise arise and which reacts to the applicant's disadvantage.

The subject is full of interlocking factors, and mention of the Jewish Board of Guardians is a reminder of the contention of Jewish workers that it is not sufficient for employers to "supplement" low wages by giving donations to charities from which those very workers must seek relief. Rather let them pay suitable wages, they claim, so that there will be less call on charitable funds. It seems incredible that family men even while in work should have to seek help at the same time from the Guardians, yet it is not unknown. A complete week's work for a man in a good period may bring him £2 10s. in wages for fifty-two hours, but "good" periods are short-lived.

Low wages, however, are not confined specifically to Jews, but are a symptom of the low economic state to which the industry had sunk within recent years, chiefly through the price-cutting indulged in by lack of organisation. In the struggle for trade, price-cutting has been rampant, with its obvious accompaniments in some quarters of which the workers complain—gradual lowering of wages to meet the competition, undue lengthening of hours approximating to "sweating," substitution of adult labour by increasing numbers of child workers straight from school; the temptation to open "mushroom" and bedroom-type workshops, with evasions of labour laws in certain ways which, though suspected, are difficult to detect and suppress. To add to this, the old system of working, whereby a machinist and assistant could make a whole garment, has given place in some factories to a "sectional" type of work in which a girl never does other than, say, sleeves or collars or pockets, and the whole garment is made up by a set of girls. Groups of "school-leavers" are engaged, but on reaching ages when an increased wage should be paid, they are dismissed, and a new set of "school-leavers" enters the cycle.

From the reputable employers' point of view, the undercutting is to be deplored, if only for its tendency to depress conditions, bringing abuses and complaints. Uneconomic methods are bound to follow in the effort to keep the market. From the strictly Jewish viewpoint it is also to be deplored, as it leads to conflict between two sections within the Community itself. "Haven't we Jews enough enemies," is the implication, "without some Jewish masters trying to 'sweat' us?" It must be understood however, on the authority of Trade Union officials, that the economic and industrial aspect is not a Jewish one—it is common to all and is not inspired by specific Jewish causes. At the same time, although it is difficult to get substantiation of the charge of discrimination against Jews, a non-Jewish organiser in one Union spoke of occasions when he had taxed a Jewish employer with such practice. The excuse forthcoming was that once the Jewish employees had "walked out on him" without reason, and he would not trust them again.

Both sides consider that a great deal can be done to remedy matters by organisation, and in their separate fields they are busy now in the effort to attain 100 per cent. unity. In this respect, the aims of the Waterproof Garment Makers' Union (the workers' Trade Union, founded in 1907) and the newly formed Rubber-Proofed Garment Manufacturers' Association run on parallel and mutually beneficial lines. From enquiry, there is no reason to believe that in either sphere the minority opposition which still exists is due to any specifically Jewish trait of character. There are manufacturers who are against both their own side's organisation and trade union activities among their employees. In some cases it has reached a stage of intimidation of workers in so far as they are told that joining the Union will mean the "sack."

Nevertheless, the far greater number of firms now have acceded to the Trade Union principle; and Mr. Hyman Weinberg, one of the initiators and Chairman of the Rubber-Proofed Garment Manufacturers' Association, put a case, pretty concisely, which should appeal to both employer and employed. Threatened financial loss to manufacturers and incipient revolt among operatives he puts down mainly to lack of co-operation between members in each of the garment-making sections, and stability would come with reciprocal inter-trading arrangements. In the Association, competition would be taken on to a higher level of prices, and a higher level of wages could be maintained, in accordance with Trade Union desires. The pernicious system of continuous juvenile labour would be replaced by properly indentured apprentice schedules. Incidentally, Mr. Weinberg believes that this would help to relieve pressure on the Jewish Board of Guardians and other charitable institutions, as the regulation of entry of youngsters would prevent the thrusting of middle-aged workers into the relief ranks.

It is an economic matter purely and simply, and general opinion seems to be that the workers by full support of the Trade Union and insistence on a fair wages level would help to eliminate at the same time their own low-paid grades and the price-cutting employers from the trade. At any rate, as an industry which carries the fortunes of so many Jewish people, both worker and employer, it should surely be obvious that the goodwill of the Community demands a peaceful end to any difficulties which exist.

From Mr. ISRAEL DUBLANSKY *(Member of Executive, Waterproof Garment Workers' Trade Union)*

To the Editor of THE JEWISH CHRONICLE

SIR,—Whatever may be said by authorities and statisticians about the Jews being middle-class and business people, the fact is that large numbers of them, in Manchester particularly, are dependent for their living upon the Waterproof Garment industry. It is, therefore, quite easy to understand why so much interest has been shown by the Jewish people in the recent campaign for Trade Union rates and conditions.

Zionism offers nothing to the Jewish workers who intend to remain in this country, and since it must be admitted that many will stay here for the rest of their lives, the question arises what measures and policy should they support which will improve their immediate needs and hold out prospects for their future?

The answer is the policy of Trade Unionism.

What has Trade Unionism done for the Jewish worker?

It has put him on the same level as the rest of the organised workers in the country instead of being regarded as an alien, an outcast, to be sweated and exploited without rights and privileges. It has improved his working conditions, taught him the value of his labour, the power of collective bargaining, the incalculable advantages of organisation. Above all, it has prevented and is preventing with all its might the rise of Fascism.

Far-sighted Jewish employers will readily appreciate this.

Resistance to Trade Union rates and conditions by some Jewish employers at this period when our lives and liberties in some lands are in danger is sheer folly. The rights we ask for in other countries we should be the first to give here.

What is the use of Jewish employers laying foundation stones for

(Continued on next page.)

Travellers Cheques

There are many occasions when, for some reason or other, it may not be convenient to go to a bank to draw money for, say, the paying of a hotel bill. It is then that the smaller amounts of the Westminster Bank's Travellers Cheques—more particularly the new £2 cheques—are specially handy, as they make the least demand on hotel cashiers, pursers, stores, etc., for change.

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PROVINCIAL NEWS.—*(Continued from previous page).*

Synagogues if they are assisting indirectly the growth of Fascism which will eventually destroy them?

Some Jewish employers are members of the Board of Guardians. They know the plight of the Jewish worker who applies for relief to supplement non-union wages, or for assistance because of illness due to overwork and sweating under non-union conditions. These employers are favourable to the Union. But why don't they have a straight talk to those Jewish employers who are not? Work under Trade Union rates and conditions will abolish the need for charity.

We hear a great deal about a Communal Rav, a religious leader. Where is the man who will be the material leader, fighting for Trade Union rates and conditions for Jewish workers, so that life shall become richer and more opportunity and leisure can be devoted to spiritual needs?

I am, &c.,

ISRAEL DUBLANSKY.

88a, Miller Street, Manchester.

In last week's JEWISH CHRONICLE under Manchester news, it was announced that the hearing of the charge against three men of conspiring to defraud Messrs. Laski and Laski (the defendants all deny the charge) had been fixed for January 15th. It was also stated that Captain C. Lewis, Solicitor to the British Union of Fascists, was among the Solicitors for the defendants. With reference to this we have received a letter from Messrs Lewis and Co., Solicitors, of 108, Kings Road, Chelsea, London, in which they state: "The implication arising from this statement is totally incorrect and has caused considerable annoyance to our client Mr. Adler. In no shape or way is the British Union of Fascists connected with this case. We are acting as Solicitors to Mr. A. B. Adler, and are instructed by Mr. Adler and by no other person or organisation. We shall be obliged if you would publish a correction in your paper as early as possible."

Vitya Vronsky, the well-known pianist, will give a recital at the William Rees Concert at the Milton Hall, Deansgate, to-morrow evening.

The Winter School of the Northern Federation of Jewish Literary Societies will be held at Sherbrook School, Greaves Hall, Southport, from Saturday, the 22nd inst. until the 27th. Those desiring to attend should communicate with the Secretaries, or Miss J. Gafan, "Sunnyside," Woodland Crescent, Prestwich.

Mr. and Mrs. Hyman Jacobs, of 24, St. Mary's Road, Crumpsall, celebrated their Golden Wedding last week. Mr. Jacobs, who has been a well-known communal and charitable worker in Manchester for many years, requested that all who wished to send gifts should do so in the form of a donation to the Fund for the Relief of Polish Jewry, and a sum of not less than £100 will be given to that Fund as a result.

"Hazomir" Choral Society and other artists contributed to a musicale of the Higher Broughton Congregational Literary Society on Sunday, in the Synagogue Hall. Mr. M. Shaffer presided. In addition to items by the "Hazomir," conducted by Mr. J. Siroto, songs were rendered by Cantor S. Hershman, the Misses R. Stern and L. Finburgh and Mr. F. Brodie played violin solos. The Rev. V. Schlesinger who organised the concert, Mr. J. Siroto and Miss B. Sternberg were accompanists. Thanks were accorded to the artists by Mr. L. I. Feldman.

With a fully choral Service, conducted by Cantor S. Hershman, the Higher Crumpsall Synagogue, Bury Old Road, was consecrated last week and opened by Mr. N. Marks after having been completely redecorated. Rabbi Dr. H. Freedman delivered an address. At a subsequent reception, with Mr. Nathan Marks, President, in the Chair, Rabbi Dr. Freedman proposed the "Success of the Synagogue." Mr. S. Glicher proposed the health of the President, who responded. Mr. H. Sunderland submitted a toast to the Decorating Fund and the Ladies' Effort Committees, which was acknowledged by Mr. L. M. Galansky. Last Saturday evening a service in the Synagogue was conducted entirely by the children. Mrs. Nathan Marks subsequently distributed prizes to the pupils.

An "At Home" was given on Saturday, by Mr. and Mrs. Quas-Cohen, to members of the Sura Group of the Social Circle of the Park Place Synagogue.

The Great Synagogue Literary Society's Dramatic Section, holders of the Drama Festival Shield, are presenting a three-act play, "The Mask and the Face," by C. B. Fernald, to-morrow and Monday evenings, in the Yeshurun Hall of the Synagogue.

Two lectures have recently been delivered to members of the Jewish Working Men's Club. Dr. E. Davies spoke on "Whither Jewry?" and Councillor George Hall spoke on "My Council Experiences." Mr. Israel Sunlight and Mr. Bertram Cohen presided respectively.

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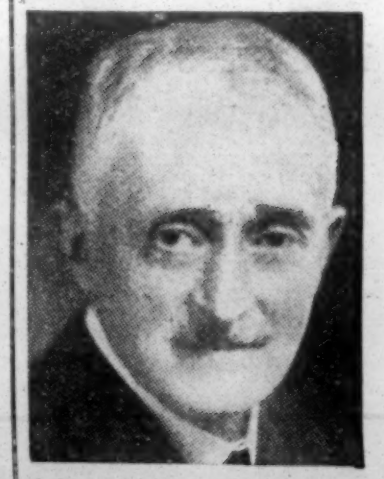

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LEEDS

Home for Aged Jews

[*From our Correspondent*]

Last week, the Management Committee held their monthly meeting. Mr. Maurice Myers, the Chairman, who presided, announced the receipt of a legacy from the executors of the late Mr. Ralph Gilston, and he welcomed Mr. A. Myers and Miss P. Black as representatives of the Junior Organisation for Leeds Jewish Charities. In her report, Mrs. B. Waldenburg, Deputy-Chairman of the House Committee, said that numerous gifts had been received from subscribers. Mr. S. Hyman submitted the Religious Services Committee report, and said that the Synagogue was proving a boon to the inmates and that many members of the Community attended Services regularly. Mr. H. C. Shaffner, the Treasurer, referred to the gradual decreasing weekly subscriptions. He asked annual subscribers to increase their subscriptions, in order to ameliorate the financial position. Mr. D. Segal announced that a canvassing campaign would be undertaken with the object of enrolling additional subscribers. A concert was arranged by the Misses B. Black, C. Levenstein and R. Goldstein for the inmates.

B'nai B'rith

The monthly meeting of the Men's Lodge was held at Bransby Lodge, with Bro. D. Fox in the Chair. It was announced that the lecturers during the session would include Professor N. Bentwich, Major H. L. Nathan M.P., and Messrs. A. Easterman and M. Goulds. Bro. I. Brill was elected a delegate to the District Grand Lodge. The adjourned debate on the policy of the District Grand Lodge with regard to the German situation, was concluded. The following participated in the discussion: Bros. A. M. Hurwitz, J. Porton, M. Sclare, D. Fox, M. Silman, A. Saffer, S. Lubelski, R. Powell, J. L. Brill and D. Newton. It was resolved to abide loyally by all decisions of the District Grand Lodge with regard to its policy in the matter. Bro. Alderman H. Morris, J.P., made a statement on the proposed new Jewish Institute on which building operations are expected to begin in January. The inclusive cost was in the region of £14,000, and he commended the project to the generous support of the Community.

At a recent meeting of the Ministers' Visitation Committee, the Rev. E. Kahan, of Harrogate, who was present, consented to co-operate in the voluntary visitation work of the local Committee.

A meeting of the Committee of the Convalescent Home was held at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. A. Frais, last week. Mr. Frais, who presided, said that the Home had accommodated 250 children and 25 female adults since its re-opening in March, 1934. It was decided that the Home should be closed as from December 19th until the Spring of next year. The Chairman reviewed the financial position, and it was ultimately decided to arrange a dance in aid of the funds, at the Town Hall, on Thursday, January 24th.

LIVERPOOL

Talmud Torah Schools

[*From our Correspondent*]

Prior to the Distribution of Prizes held in the Grove Street Synagogue last week, the Maariv Service was read by Master Zevi Goldstein, assisted by a Choir composed of pupils of the Schools, under the direction of the Rev. A. Gerston. A programme of recitations in Hebrew and English and a short play in Hebrew, arranged by the Headmaster, Mr. I. E. Bender, was given by the pupils.

Rabbi I. J. Unterman delivered an address, and the prizes were distributed by Mr. David Black. Mr. David Cantor, President of the Schools, moved votes of thanks to the Officers and Committee of the Great Synagogue, Grove Street, for their kindness in placing the Synagogue at the disposal of the Schools, and to Mr. David Black. The pupils and other children received gifts from the Council of the Schools, the Officers and Committee of the Synagogue, and Mr. and Mrs. Harry Boyars.

Mr. David Cantor presided at a reception held subsequently in the Schools. Rabbi I. J. Unterman, Chairman of the Education Committee, moved a vote of thanks to the Headmaster and Teaching Staff, and paid tribute to their devoted services. Mr. Bender, in responding, appealed to the ladies to take a greater interest in the Schools. Other speakers were Rabbis M. Krasner and Z. Plitnick, the Rev. A. B. Coleman, Mrs. Hinden, Messrs. I. L. Hinden, D. Black, H. Cohen, M. Rayner and Michael L. Hyam, Secretary. Mr. H. Beacon, Treasurer, expressed his appreciation of the generous contributions to the prizes fund. Mr. M. Rosenstein proposed the health of the Chairman and Mrs. Cantor, both of whom responded. During the evening, the Revs. S. Wolfson and L. Kushell and Mr. Chaim Boyars sang a number of Jewish folk songs.

A special meeting of the Jewish Literary Society will be held on Monday evening next at the Jewish Centre at eight o'clock, to welcome Professor A. S. Yahuda who will deliver an address on "The History of the Hebrew Language through the Ages."

Last week a *Siyyum* was celebrated at the Shaw Street Synagogue, when the instructor, Mr. L. Boyarsky delivered a Hedran. Thanks were accorded to Mr. Boyarsky by Messrs. L. Ramm and Davidson.

The inaugural meeting of the Association of Old Boys was held at the Hebrew Schools on Sunday. Mr. Henry Carr presided over an attendance of eighty Old Boys. The new President, Mr. M. Katzin, moved a vote of condolence with the widow and family of the late Mr. B. L. Myer, one of the earliest Presidents of the Association. He outlined his policy for the coming session, which was mainly concerned with the re-organisation and refurnishing of the Schools. A vote of thanks to Mr. Katzin was proposed by Mr. H. Miller, and seconded by Mr. B. Huglin. The members were subsequently entertained to tea.

The Installation of Bro. Percy Best as Worshipful Master of the Lodge of Israel No. 1502, was held at the Masonic Hall, Hope Street. W. Bro. A. E. Wodehouse, P.Pr. G.D., and W. Bro. H. M. Romain, P.Pr. A.G.D.C., were the presenting officers, and W. Bro. H. Saloman, I.P.M., was the Installing Master. The Worshipful Master invested his Officers as follows: Bros. S. B. Brodie, S.W.; R. Davidson, J.W.; the Rev. L. Phillips, Chaplain; W. Bro. J. Vos, P.Pr. A.G.D.C., Treasurer; Bro. S. Landy, Secretary; W. Bro. Leon Samuels, P.Pr. A.G.D.C., Director of Ceremonies; and Junior Officers. At the subsequent banquet, Bro. Percy Best appealed on behalf of the Royal Masonic Institutions Festival. W. Bro. J. Wardle, Prov. Grand Warden, replied to the toast of "Provincial Officers." W. Bro. D. Harrinson, Prov. A.G.D.C., proposed "Our Guests" and Bro. the Rev. Lewis Phillips "Our Absent Brethren."

A large audience was present at a concert given recently by the Jewish Musical Society at the Jewish Centre. The artists were the Misses K. Jacobs and B. Binstock, Messrs. Bertram B. Benas and N. Segal. Miss N. Carmel was the accompanist. A vote of thanks to the artists was proposed by Mr. I. Harris, who paid a tribute to the services given by the Jewish Musical Society in connection with Hebrew Week.

At the Annual Meeting of the Beth Hamedrash Synagogue, held at 55, Crown Street, with Mr. L. Silverbeck, President, in the Chair, Mr. S. Ginsberg submitted the Balance-sheet which was adopted. The following were elected: Messrs. L. Silverbeck, Life President; A. Kesler, Parnass; B. Kinchuck, Gabbai; S. Ginsberg, Treasurer; and the following representatives: S. Ginsberg, W. Sharp and I. Binstock, Board of Shechita; I. Landy and W. Dorfman, Talmud Torah; W. Dorfman and Oxenbam, Lechem Aneyim; H. Hulman, Board of Guardians; and S. Beilin, Board of Deputies.

BIRMINGHAM

Talmud Torah

[From our Correspondent]

Last Sunday, two new classrooms adjoining the Talmud Torah were officially opened by Rabbi Z. Hodes. Mr. Woolf Jacobs, the Chairman, traced the history of the Talmud Torah since its inception over forty years ago. To-day, he said, it formed a valuable asset for the future preservation of Jewry in that city. He appealed to parents to send their children regularly, and said that the Institution had room for many more girl pupils. After Mr. Barnett Goodman had handed the key to Rabbi Hodes, a tour of the classrooms was made and two Tablets were unveiled, the inscriptions reading as follows:

The scene at the ceremony.
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בית דוד: "This Classroom was erected through the generous support of Mr. and Mrs. Adolph Rich, to perpetuate the memory of their son David."

בית יעקב: "This Classroom was presented by Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Freedman, in addition to their constant generosity and great interest in the welfare of this Institution."

It was announced that Mr. Jacob Freedman had donated an additional ten guineas in response to the Chairman's appeal. After the ceremony in the Talmud Torah Hall, addresses were delivered by Rabbi Z. Hodes and the Rev. Dr. A. Cohen. Mr. I. Candelshine thanked all the donors to the special fund created for the establishment of the two new rooms, and he was supported by Mr. Oscar Deutsch and Mr. B. Ackerman. The Rev. R. Rabinowitz moved a vote of thanks to Mr. W. Blumenthal and the Buildings Committee, on behalf of the teachers and pupils, to which Mr. Blumenthal responded. A vote of thanks to the Chairman by Mr. U. Manklekorn was replied to by Mr. Jacobs. The children sang a number of songs.

Hebrew Schools

The annual Distribution of Prizes to the pupils of the Hebrew Schools and Religion Classes was held last Sunday in the Assembly Hall of the Schools, St. Luke's Road. The prizes were distributed by Mrs. A. Cohen, in the absence of Mrs. John Hollander who was indisposed. The Rev. Dr. A. Cohen, Chairman of the Foundation Managers, who presided, spoke of the excellent progress made by the schools during the year. The number of pupils had increased to 320. Dr. Cohen praised the good work of Miss Cohen, one of the teachers, who had resigned through illness. The pupils had gained a high percentage of scholarships to secondary schools, said Dr. Cohen, which proved the high standard of work accomplished at their schools. Excellent progress had also been made in the Hebrew and religious work. Mr. Herbert M. Adler had visited the schools and had expressed delight at the results of the Hebrew and secular work. Mr. Albert Albury, Chairman of the Hebrew Religious and Instruction Committee, reported on the progress of the Hebrew Religious Classes. He paid tribute to the Teaching Staff, and complimented them on the high standard of work attained. He appealed for larger attendances at the Girls' Confirmation Class and at the Sabbath Classes. Mr. Judah Albury proposed a vote of thanks to Mrs. A. Cohen for distributing the prizes. Mrs. Cohen responded. A similar vote was accorded to the donors of the prizes by Mr. L. Cassell, seconded by Mr. A. B. Davis. Mr. Oscar Deutsch proposed a vote of thanks to the Teaching Staff, which was seconded by Mr. Bertram Silverston. Mr. L. J. Libgott, Headmaster, responded. Mr. E. P. Hollander, J.P., thanked Dr. Cohen who replied. During the proceedings, the school choir rendered musical items. An exhibition of the work of the pupils was afterwards displayed.

An entertainment was given under the auspices of the Jewish Literary Association at the Communal Hall, Ellis Street, last Sunday. The first half of the programme was devoted to a musical recital by the Rev. Woolf Lewi. Mr. Harry Engleman was the accompanist. Subsequently, two short plays were performed by the following: The Misses M. Tarsh, F. Levy, D. Lessar, J. White, and Messrs. D. Blankensee, L. Caro and L. Wynschenk. Mr. Derek Salberg was the producer. Thanks were accorded to the players by Mr. S. P. Abrams.

The monthly meeting of the Relief and Pensions Committee of the United Benevolent Board was held on Sunday, with Mr. David Bernstein in the Chair. A letter was read from the Secretary of the Jews' Temporary Shelter regarding the problem of the travelling casual. The financial statement for the month disclosed an expenditure of £176, with an increase of twenty-seven applications in the number of temporary allowances dealt with during the month.

The first of a series of services to be held in Birmingham under the auspices of the Liberal Jewish Synagogue, of London, is to be held at the Queen's College, Paradise Street, this (Friday) evening, at 8.15, when members of the Community are invited to attend. Rabbi Dr. Mattuck will deliver an address.

HOVE

The Prize Distribution to the pupils of Mansfield College was held at the Old Ship Hotel, Brighton. Alderman Barnett Marks presided and distributed the prizes. Dr. Nancie A. Hart, the Principal (who was accompanied by her colleague, Mrs. E. L. Alfandary), said that the School had been in existence for forty

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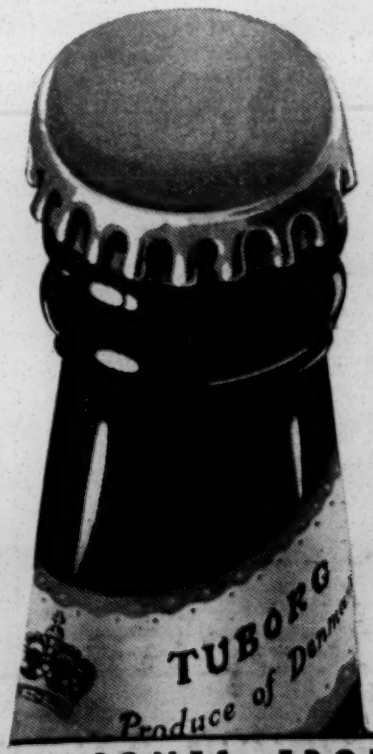

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BLACKPOOL—At a meeting of the Jewish Literary and Social Society held at the Albion Café on Sunday, a dramatic reading of the "Melting Pot" was given by the following members of the dramatic section: Messrs. R. Cohen, E. Wansker, J. Bluestone, Fingerhut and Nordwind, Mrs. Emanuel, the Misses E. Taylor, H. Lyons, G. Bernstein, M. Singer, with introductory remarks by Miss R. Priceman. Mr. B. Bernard thanked the artists. A successful dance was held last week by the Society at Booth's Café. A presentation was made by Mr. Bernard, on behalf of the Society, to each member of the dramatic section who took part in "Altar Piece," at the recent Blackpool Drama Festival, and won the trophy in the local class. They were the Misses Q. Isaacs, H. Lyons, Messrs. B. S. Langton, J. Bluestone, S. Harris and R. Cohen.

BRADFORD—The opening literary function of the Jewish Institute was held on Sunday, when Dr. J. V. Reuben delivered an address on "Moses—Minister of Health." The Rev. J. Israelstam presided. The following took part in the discussion: Mrs. J. Rivlin, the Rev. I. Levine, Dr. Martin Rushton, Messrs. C. H. Levi, Maurice Levi and J. Rivlin. Thanks were accorded to the lecturer on the motion of Mr. M. Hart, seconded by Mr. Harry Bergson. Mr. D. Sugarman moved a vote of thanks to the Chairman.

CAMBRIDGE—At the last General Meeting of the Hebrew Congregation and Schechter Society, the following were elected: Messrs. J. Levin (Peterhouse), President; James Sebag-Montefiore (King's), Treasurer; E. N. Epstein (Trinity), Secretary; Miss H. F. Waley-Cohen (Newnham), Mr. E. Philipp (St. John's) and Mr. S. Devons (Trinity), Committee. A vote of thanks was accorded to Mr. D. Sebag-Montefiore (Trinity), who was going down, for the valuable services that he had rendered the Congregation and the Society. Mr. E. Cohen (Queen's), the retiring President, was in the Chair.

Mr. Arnold W. G. Kean (Queen's), has been elected Secretary of the Cambridge Union Society for the next term.

Mr. J. B. Segal (St. Catherine's), represented the University at boxing against the Navy. Mr. Segal is expected to be presented with a Blue next term.

CARDIFF—Last week, a Special Service, attended by the Deputy Lord Mayor, the Lady Mayoress, members of the City Council and representatives of the Royal Infirmary was held at the Cathedral Road Synagogue. In the course of his sermon, the Rev. H. Jerevitch referred to the persecution of the Jews in Germany. He concluded: Their own hearts were filled with gratitude to God that their lot was cast in this liberty-loving country, where equal rights were enjoyed by all. There was very little anti-Semitism in this country. In Wales there was none. The Welsh understood the Jew. Anti-Semitism came from ignorance, and the Welsh were not ignorant.

A boxing tournament, in aid of the local Jewish Board of Guardians, was held last week at the Earl Haig Memorial Hall, and organised by Messrs. A. Lermon, A. Fine and R. Simmonds. The function was a great success.

Mr. J. E. Rivlin has received a letter from the Lord Mayor thanking the Cathedral Road Congregation for their presentation to the Lady Mayoress and himself of the "Book of Jewish Thoughts." The Lord Mayor expressed his regret that, owing to ill-health, he was unable to be present at the Service held in the Synagogue on the 2nd inst.

EDINBURGH—The members of the Jewish Literary Society were addressed last Sunday at the Synagogue Hall, Salisbury Road, by Professor Adam C. Welch, who spoke on "Synagogue and Church—their Common Inheritance and their Common Danger." Mr. R. Cohen presided. The following took part in the discussion: Dr. J. Lipetz, Messrs. S. L. Dorfman, N. Blasebalk, V. Brown and J. Simonoff. On the motion of Rabbi Dr. Salis Daiches thanks were accorded to the lecturer. Mr. S. S. Stungo, J.P., thanked the Chairman.

GLASGOW—The fourteenth Annual Meeting of the Jewish Board of Guardians Auxiliary was held last week. Mr. Ellis Isaacs, J.P., presided. Mr. Benjamin Strump, J.P., President of the Senior Board, paid tribute to the excellent work of the Auxiliary without whose efforts he said the Board's work of charity would be seriously curtailed. Mr. Louis Penkinsky, one of the Hon. Secretaries, reported a record income. Mr. J. C. Baker, Treasurer, said that the ladies section, under the guidance of Miss F. Olswang, had done good work. The year's income he said was £1,192 of which £761 came from functions convened by Mr. D. Woolfe. The sum of £1,246 was handed over to the Senior Board. The Hon. Officers and Committee were elected.

HULL—The Annual Prize Distribution to the pupils of the Communal Talmud Torah was held in the Schoolroom, Linnaeus Street, on Sunday. Mr. J. Lewenstein, who presided, gave a résumé of the progress made and the work done during the year. Mrs. J. Lewenstein distributed the prizes. The Rev. D. Hirsch, the Headmaster, submitted his report and referred to the visit of Mr. Herbert M. Adler, the Director of Jewish Education, who recently inspected the classes. The parents were exhorted to encourage their children to attend the classes regularly, and to allow them to continue their Hebrew education after attaining Barmitzvah age. Messrs. H. Rosenston, L. Rapstone, S. Zimmerman, H. Rosen and L. Harris paid tribute to the work of the headmaster and the teachers.

Under the auspices of the Appeal Committee for German Jewish Women and Children, Mrs. Henrietta Irwell (of London) addressed meetings held at the residences of Mr. and Mrs. Norman Goldstone and Mr. and Mrs. S. Berks, and a reception held on Sunday evening in the Metropole Hall. Mrs. Irwell appealed to all present to continue the good work so that the excellent results already achieved would not be diminished. Alderman Benno Pearlman presided. The Rev. D. Hirsch and Messrs. N. Goldstone, L. Rapstone and L. Rosen also spoke.

LEICESTER—The Jewish Literary and Drama Society's meeting last week took the form of a symposium. The following gave short addresses: The Rev. A. Newman and Messrs. B. Alton and H. Rosen. Mr. Mark Henig presided. The speakers were thanked by Messrs. S. Golding and M. Millett.

MIDDLESBROUGH—At the Annual Meeting of the Jewish Ex-Servicemen's Association held recently, with Mr. Z. Smollan in the Chair, Mr. E. Clayman, the Hon. Secretary, gave a report of the year's activities. The following were elected: Alderman J. Goldston, President; Messrs. Horace Benjamin, Vice-President; H. Kaufman, Chairman; E. Clayman, Hon. Secretary and Treasurer; and a Committee of nine.

An address to the Grove Hill Methodist Guild was recently delivered by Rabbi L. Miller on "Jewish Customs."

On the occasion of the visit of the Princess Royal to Middlesbrough last week, when a number of purses were presented to Her Royal Highness for the national and local Y.M.C.A., a purse was presented by Mrs. L. Miller on behalf of the local Jewish community.

NOTTINGHAM—At a meeting of the new Women's Lodge of the B'nai B'rith held last week the following were elected: Messrs. J. Levin, President; L. Levin, Vice-President; E. M. Randall, Treasurer; B. Jeffery, Hon. Secretary; Miss M. Benjamin, Assistant Hon. Secretary; Mrs. M. Appleby, Monitor; Mrs. L. Davis and Miss R. Lilliman, Wardens; Mesdames H. King, A. King, Miller, S. Marks and H. L. Levene, Council.

RAMSGATE—At the Annual Meeting of the Hebra Kadisha, Gemilut Hassadim, held last week, Mr. G. Da Costa was unanimously elected Parnas for the ensuing year.

SOUTHEND AND WESTCLIFF—For the first time since its inauguration, the Literary and Dramatic Society presented a Jewish play on Saturday evening last, at St. Clement's Hall, Leigh-on-Sea, entitled "Israel in the Kitchen," by Noah Elstein, and produced by Mr. Sam Rosen. The cast consisted of the Misses Q. Angel, R. Dinkenor, J. Rosen, H. Abrahams, M. Jacobs, and Messrs. S. Rosen, B. Smith, M. Woolfe, N. Chinn, D. Casson, S. Rosen and M. Minsky. A one-act playlet entitled "Pearly Gates," by Gertrude Jennings, was also performed, and was produced by Phyllis Marsden (Mrs. M. Reid). The cast included the Misses P. Bourne, R. Mitchell, D. Abrahamson, A. Lee, D. Roberts, S. Brudney and Z. Abrahamson. During the interval, Mr. A. G. Brotman, Chairman of the Society, expressed thanks to all responsible for the evening's success.

STOKE-ON-TRENT—A meeting of the Jewish Literary Society was held on Sunday, the 2nd inst., at which Dr. A. Rosenberg (of Liverpool University) spoke on "The Fate of Minority Nations." Mr. Albert Rich presided. Among those who took part in the discussion were Messrs. R. Myers, E. Bloom and Lieb. A vote of thanks to the lecturer was proposed by Mr. J. Myers and seconded by Miss M. Sumberg.

SUNDERLAND—The Literary Circle held an inter-debate with the Newcastle Zionist and Social Society on Sunday. Mr. C. Goldwater and Miss A. Rothfield proposed "That Jews should not restrict themselves to Palestine for the formation of a National Home, should an opportunity offer to form one elsewhere." Messrs. A. H. Davis and M. Cohen (Sunderland) opposed. The following also spoke: Messrs. S. Stone, C. Goldberg, I. Brewer, E. Kolson, S. Light (Sunderland), P. Lewis and A. Ross (Newcastle). The motion was defeated.

SWANSEA—The Rev. J. Weintrobe addressed the Annual Meeting of the Glamorgan West and Swansea Branch of the R.S.P.C.A. (of the Executive Committee of which he is a member) on "Shechita and the Use of Casting Machines."

Mr. A. Barer presided last week at the distribution of prizes to the pupils of the Hebrew Classes. The speakers were the Rev. J. Weintrobe, Mr. L. Palto and the Chairman. Hebrew songs, etc., were rendered by pupils of the Classes; and the function was attended by pupils of the Aberdare Hebrew Classes. Mrs. L. Palto distributed the awards. A tea and concert followed.

Hampstead Synagogue

JUNIOR MEMBERS' SABBATH

Saturday last was Junior Members' Sabbath at the Hampstead Synagogue, when the Chief Rabbi delivered a special sermon to a large congregation. The President and Vice-President occupied the Wardens' Box, together with the Hon. Officers of the Synagogue, and the Vice-President acted as *Segan*. All the *Mitzvot* were allotted to the Junior Members.

The Hon. Officers of the Synagogue attach great importance to the Junior Members' Sabbath, as it is a tangible expression of the important part that the younger members of the Congregation should, and do, take in the communal life of Hampstead. So far, the Junior Members have taken over the following activities of the Synagogue: the Children's Services, the Library and the Children's Choir. A Discussion Group has been formed to afford Junior Members an opportunity of exchanging views on important questions appertaining to the Synagogue and the Community at large. Each activity is controlled by a Committee, representatives of which sit on the Junior Board, which in turn, is linked up with the Board of Management of the Synagogue. The Junior Board invites sons of members and of non-members, between the ages of thirteen and twenty-one, to become Junior Members. All those interested should communicate with Mr. C. de Wolfe, Hon. Secretary, Hampstead Synagogue, Dennington Park Road, N.W.6.

On the same evening, over 100 children attended a Special Chanucah Service for children arranged by the Junior Members. The Children's Service Choir led the singing, and Dayan Gollop preached the sermon. The Service was conducted by the Revs. G. Boyars and I. Levy. Afterwards an entertainment was given by some of the children from the Religion Classes. Under the direction of Miss S. Hyman, they presented an excellent series of playlets and sketches.

Talmud Torah Trust

To-morrow evening, at 5.45, at Absa House, 46, Commercial Road, E.1, the Continuation Classes arranged by the Education Committee of the Talmud Torah Trust will be inaugurated. Parents and old pupils are invited. Dayan Dr. and Mrs. Feldman will act as hosts, and Mr. Herbert Adler and the Rev. Isaac Goldston will speak. About three hundred boys and girls leave the Talmud Torahs every year at the age of thirteen, and hitherto no provision whatever has been made for them at the most impressionable period of their life for continued instruction in Jewish knowledge. This deficiency the Talmud Torah Trust proposes to remedy by establishing two Continuation Classes, one in East London and one in North London. These classes will meet for five hours a week, two hours on Sunday and one-and-a-half each on Monday and Wednesday. The Central Committee for Jewish Education has consented to defray the cost of these classes out of the funds of the Shechita Board surplus.

Ethics of the Fathers

LECTURE BY DR. TRAVERS HERFORD

Dr. Travers Herford delivered a lecture on "The Ethics of the Fathers" at a meeting held on Tuesday evening at the Rose Hertz Hall of the Communal Centre under the auspices of the Jewish Higher Educational Centre.

The Chief Rabbi, who presided, spoke of the tremendous change that had taken place in the attitude of the world of scholarship towards rabbinic literature which, he said, was due to the work of a few חסידי עומות העולם whom one could count upon the fingers of one hand. One of these was Dr. Travers Herford.

In the course of his lecture, Dr. Herford said he did not know of any reason to doubt that Rabbi was the person responsible for the inclusion of Aboth in the Mishna. Dr. Herford suggested that Aboth was intended by Rabbis to be an epilogue to the Mishna, an elaborate final chapter or series of chapters whose contents, though not arranged in any apparent order, were nevertheless deliberately chosen by him, because in various ways they served his purpose. On this view, Aboth gained greatly in importance, because, while its contents judged on their own account were no less valuable than before, it was now seen to be structurally and organically a part of the Mishna; not a mere appendix tacked on as an afterthought such that if it had been left out the loss of it would not have been noticed. In a sense, it expressed the judgment of Rabbi on the completed Mishna, his view of the ethical worth and not merely the halachic value of the great *corpus juris* upon which so much time and thought and labour had been bestowed. If he was right in this suggestion as to the place of Aboth as an integral part of the Mishna, then it would shine out with an even added splendour. Its varied jewels of wisdom would be seen to be no longer separate, scattered at random through its pages, but gathered together so as to form one single object of veneration, like the jewels which went to form the breast-plate of the High Priest. There was a sort of fascination in Aboth even for Christian scholars. He, too, had felt that fascination.

A vote of thanks to Dr. Travers Herford for his lecture was accorded on the motion of the Rev. Michael Adler, D.S.O.

Women Shoppers' League

A meeting of the League was held on Tuesday at 6, Park Crescent, the residence of Dr. and Mrs. Gainsborough. Mrs. Philip Guedalla, President of the League, who presided, said that when she had visited the big shops to enlist their co-operation and their sympathy with the aims of the League, she had always had impressed upon her the necessity for educating public opinion so that the refusal to take German goods might become general amongst the women of this country. She urged her audience to make it possible for shops and stores which were perfectly willing and anxious to do so, to stop selling German goods. Miss Monica Whately expressed the opinion which she said was that, too, of many Germans who at present were unable to utter it, that the boycott rigidly and energetically prosecuted was the surest means of bringing about the downfall of Hitler and his regime of barbarous and inhuman persecution, not only of Jews but of Catholics, of women and of all who cared for progress and civilisation. A meeting will be held on Tuesday afternoon at three at the house of Mrs. Israel Kestenbaum, 6, Wildwood Road, N.W.11, when Mrs. Maria Saran, from Germany, will deliver an address. All particulars can be had from the League's Hon. Organiser Miss Thérese Samuels, 47, Park Road, Clarence Gate, N.W.1.

Chanucah Celebrations

In addition to the names mentioned in our last issue, services and entertainments in connection with Chanucah were held at the following Synagogues and Institutions:

LONDON.—Central Synagogue Classes (at West Central Boys' Club), Palmers Green and Southgate Hebrew Classes, Finchley Synagogue Classes, Ilford and Valentine's Park Hebrew Classes, Stamford Hill Talmud Torah, Fieldgate Street Synagogue, Hampstead Garden Suburb Congregational Classes, Jewish Secondary School, Commercial Road Talmud Torah, Jewish Free Reading Room.

PROVINCES.—Manchester: Central Synagogue Classes: United Synagogue, Homes for Aged and Needy Jews; Liverpool: Talmudical College; Birmingham: Home for Aged Jews; Coventry; Portsmouth and Southsea; Nottingham; Cambridge; Anglo-Jewish Association Branch; Cardiff; Windsor Place Hebrew Classes.

Concert for German-Jewish Refugees

A commendable effort to raise money for German-Jewish Refugees was made by Miss Muriel Stokoe on Saturday evening, through the organisation of a concert at the Wigmore Hall. The venture deserved much more support than it received; and the programme, though not outstanding, was agreeably diversified. Brenda Sichel, 'cellist, Percy Deakin, tenor, Muriel Stokoe herself in monologues. Sidney Harrison at the piano, and Gladys Bradfield in songs with Eileen Chapman and Brenda Sichel in violin accompaniments, together with other assistance from Rachel Levin, Dorothy Walls and Constance Brown, were the artists who willingly contributed their gifts for the evening. Perhaps the first part was a little heavy and at times even lugubrious, which does not help out a programme even when the object of the concert is a mournful one, but the second part was more cheerful. Miss Stokoe and her friends' efforts deserve every encouragement, for the need is still great, and apathy is a besetting sin.

Home for Incurables

N.W. LONDON AID SOCIETY'S SUCCESS

One of the most successful functions which has ever been organised by the North-West London Aid Society to the Home and Hospital for Jewish Incurables was the ball held recently in London's largest ballroom, the Ice Rink at Grosvenor House. Nearly a thousand guests were present and the amount raised for the parent body will be round about £1,500. Of this sum, £500 was obtained at the tombola through the efforts of a very enthusiastic band of workers.

The ball was organised, as on previous occasions, under the direction of the Chairman of the Ball Committee, Mr. Samuel I. Salmon, with the assistance of the President of the Aid Society, Mr. Isaac Wolfson, and its Treasurer, Mrs. Isidor Abrahams, assisted by an efficient and hard-working Committee.

Spitalfields Sinai Association

A special celebration was held on Saturday evening, the 1st inst., at 59, Brick Lane, E., to mark the revival of the Association which had been founded in 1914 by the late Rabbi Dr. Jung. More than 150 people were present. The Service was conducted by the Rev. N. Kaplin, of the Chevra Shass Synagogue. At the subsequent supper the speakers included Rabbi Kaplinsky, Rabbi Gourvitch, Mr. Gabriel R. Jung (son of the founder of the Sinai League), the Rev. N. Kaplin, Messrs. S. Cooper, M. J. Turner and Alex. R. Goldstein, Hon. Secretary. Appeals were made to the visitors to assist the movement to uphold and promote traditional Judaism. The Association meets on Tuesday evening at 8.30, and Friday evening at 8, when Shiurim are conducted by Rabbi Kaplinsky, and services are held on Sabbath morning and afternoon followed by Shaloth Sudoth. The monthly programmes of activities can be obtained from the Hon. Secretary, Mr. Goldstein, 2, Crispin Street, Bishopsgate, E.C.2.

Educational Successes

LAW SOCIETY.—Messrs. Ronald M. Simons, Cecil Angel, Henry Miller, J. A. Phillips, Charles Morley and Joseph Dubovic have passed the Final Examination of the Law Society.

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PROVINCIAL NEWS ITEMS

BLACKBURN—At the Annual Meeting of the Hebrew Congregation held on Sunday, Mr. J. Rosenberg, who presided, submitted the Balance-sheet which was adopted. The following were elected: Messrs. J. Rosenberg, Chairman and Treasurer; J. Goldberg, Hon. Secretary; M. Levy, Delegate to the Deputies of British Jews; L. Gordon, M. Rosenbloom, S. Fine, I. Cowen, I. Rubens, B. Gordon and D. Baker, Committee. Thanks were accorded to the retiring officers and to the Rev. Mr. Kahan, of Bolton, for conducting the Chanucah Service.

BLACKPOOL—At a meeting of the Jewish Literary and Social Society held at the Albion Café on Sunday, a dramatic reading of the "Melting Pot" was given by the following members of the dramatic section: Messrs. R. Cohen, E. Wansker, J. Bluestone, Fingerhut and Nordwind, Mrs. Emanuel, the Misses E. Taylor, H. Lyons, G. Bernstein, M. Singer, with introductory remarks by Miss R. Priceman. Mr. B. Bernard thanked the artists. A successful dance was held last week by the Society at Booth's Café. A presentation was made by Mr. Bernard, on behalf of the Society, to each member of the dramatic section who took part in "Altar Piece," at the recent Blackpool Drama Festival, and won the trophy in the local class. They were the Misses Q. Isaacs, H. Lyons, Messrs. B. S. Langton, J. Bluestone, S. Harris and R. Cohen.

BRADFORD—The opening literary function of the Jewish Institute was held on Sunday, when Dr. J. V. Reuben delivered an address on "Moses—Minister of Health." The Rev. J. Israelstam presided. The following took part in the discussion: Mrs. J. Rivlin, the Rev. I. Levine, Dr. Martin Rushton, Messrs. C. H. Levi, Maurice Levi and J. Rivlin. Thanks were accorded to the lecturer on the motion of Mr. M. Hart, seconded by Mr. Harry Bergson. Mr. D. Sugarman moved a vote of thanks to the Chairman.

CAMBRIDGE—At the last General Meeting of the Hebrew Congregation and Schechter Society, the following were elected: Messrs. J. Levin (Peterhouse), President; James Sebag-Montefiore (King's), Treasurer; E. N. Epstein (Trinity), Secretary; Miss H. F. Waley-Cohen (Newnham), Mr. E. Philipp (St. John's) and Mr. S. Devons (Trinity), Committee. A vote of thanks was accorded to Mr. D. Sebag-Montefiore (Trinity), who was going down, for the valuable services that he had rendered the Congregation and the Society. Mr. E. Cohen (Queen's), the retiring President, was in the Chair.

Mr. Arnold W. G. Kean (Queen's), has been elected Secretary of the Cambridge Union Society for the next term.

Mr. J. B. Segal (St. Catherine's), represented the University at boxing against the Navy. Mr. Segal is expected to be presented with a Blue next term.

CARDIFF—Last week, a Special Service, attended by the Deputy Lord Mayor, the Lady Mayoress, members of the City Council and representatives of the Royal Infirmary was held at the Cathedral Road Synagogue. In the course of his sermon, the Rev. H. Jerevitch referred to the persecution of the Jews in Germany. He concluded: Their own hearts were filled with gratitude to God that their lot was cast in this liberty-loving country, where equal rights were enjoyed by all. There was very little anti-Semitism in this country. In Wales there was none. The Welsh understood the Jew. Anti-Semitism came from ignorance, and the Welsh were not ignorant.

A boxing tournament, in aid of the local Jewish Board of Guardians, was held last week at the Earl Haig Memorial Hall, and organised by Messrs. A. Lermon, A. Fine and R. Simmonds. The function was a great success.

Mr. J. E. Rivlin has received a letter from the Lord Mayor thanking the Cathedral Road Congregation for their presentation to the Lady Mayoress and himself of the "Book of Jewish Thoughts." The Lord Mayor expressed his regret that, owing to ill-health, he was unable to be present at the Service held in the Synagogue on the 2nd inst.

EDINBURGH—The members of the Jewish Literary Society were addressed last Sunday at the Synagogue Hall, Salisbury Road, by Professor Adam C. Welch, who spoke on "Synagogue and Church—their Common Inheritance and their Common Danger." Mr. R. Cohen presided. The following took part in the discussion: Dr. J. Lipetz, Messrs. S. L. Dorfman, N. Blasebalk, V. Brown and J. Simonoff. On the motion of Rabbi Dr. Salis Daiches thanks were accorded to the lecturer. Mr. S. S. Stungo, J.P., thanked the Chairman.

GLASGOW—The fourteenth Annual Meeting of the Jewish Board of Guardians Auxiliary was held last week. Mr. Ellis Isaacs, J.P., presided. Mr. Benjamin Strump, J.P., President of the Senior Board, paid tribute to the excellent work of the Auxiliary without whose efforts he said the Board's work of charity would be seriously curtailed. Mr. Louis Penkinsky, one of the Hon. Secretaries, reported a record income. Mr. J. C. Baker, Treasurer, said that the ladies section, under the guidance of Miss F. Olswang, had done good work. The year's income he said was £1,192 of which £761 came from functions convened by Mr. D. Woolfe. The sum of £1,246 was handed over to the Senior Board. The Hon. Officers and Committee were elected.

HULL—The Annual Prize Distribution to the pupils of the Communal Talmud Torah was held in the Schoolroom, Linnaeus Street, on Sunday. Mr. J. Lewenstein, who presided, gave a résumé of the progress made and the work done during the year. Mrs. J. Lewenstein distributed the prizes. The Rev. D. Hirsch, the Headmaster, submitted his report and referred to the visit of Mr. Herbert M. Adler, the Director of Jewish Education, who recently inspected the classes. The parents were exhorted to encourage their children to attend the classes regularly, and to allow them to continue their Hebrew education after attaining Barmitzvah age. Messrs. H. Rosenston, L. Rapstone, S. Zimmerman, H. Rosen and L. Harris paid tribute to the work of the headmaster and the teachers.

Under the auspices of the Appeal Committee for German Jewish Women and Children, Mrs. Henrietta Irwell (of London) addressed meetings held at the residences of Mr. and Mrs. Norman Goldstone and Mr. and Mrs. S. Berks, and a reception held on Sunday evening in the Metropole Hall. Mrs. Irwell appealed to all present to continue the good work so that the excellent results already achieved would not be diminished. Alderman Benno Pearlman presided. The Rev. D. Hirsch and Messrs. N. Goldstone, L. Rapstone and L. Rosen also spoke.

LEICESTER—The Jewish Literary and Drama Society's meeting last week took the form of a symposium. The following gave short addresses: The Rev. A. Newman and Messrs. B. Alton and H. Rosen. Mr. Mark Henig presided. The speakers were thanked by Messrs. S. Golding and M. Millett.

MIDDLESBROUGH—At the Annual Meeting of the Jewish Ex-Servicemen's Association held recently, with Mr. Z. Smollan in the Chair, Mr. E. Clayman, the Hon. Secretary, gave a report of the year's activities. The following were elected: Alderman J. Goldston, President; Messrs. Horace Benjamin, Vice-President; H. Kaufman, Chairman; E. Clayman, Hon. Secretary and Treasurer; and a Committee of nine.

An address to the Grove Hill Methodist Guild was recently delivered by Rabbi L. Miller on "Jewish Customs."

On the occasion of the visit of the Princess Royal to Middlesbrough last week, when a number of purses were presented to Her Royal Highness for the national and local Y.M.C.A., a purse was presented by Mrs. L. Miller on behalf of the local Jewish community.

NOTTINGHAM—At a meeting of the new Women's Lodge of the B'nai B'rith held last week the following were elected: Messrs. J. Levin, President; L. Levin, Vice-President; E. M. Randall, Treasurer; B. Jeffery, Hon. Secretary; Miss M. Benjamin, Assistant Hon. Secretary; Mrs. M. Appleby, Monitor; Mrs. L. Davis and Miss R. Lilliman, Wardens; Mesdames H. King, A. King, Miller, S. Marks and H. L. Levene, Council.

RAMSGATE—At the Annual Meeting of the Hebra Kadisha, Gemilut Hassadim, held last week, Mr. G. Da Costa was unanimously elected Parnas for the ensuing year.

SOUTHEND AND WESTCLIFF—For the first time since its inauguration, the Literary and Dramatic Society presented a Jewish play on Saturday evening last, at St. Clement's Hall, Leigh-on-Sea, entitled "Israel in the Kitchen," by Noah Elstein, and produced by Mr. Sam. Rosen. The cast consisted of the Misses Q. Angel, R. Dinkenor, J. Rosen, H. Abrahams, M. Jacobs, and Messrs. S. Rosen, B. Smith, M. Woolfe, N. Chinn, D. Casson, S. Rosen and M. Minsky. A one-act playlet entitled "Pearly Gates," by Gertrude Jennings, was also performed, and was produced by Phyllis Marsden (Mrs. M. Reid). The cast included the Misses P. Bourne, R. Mitchell, D. Abrahamson, A. Lee, D. Roberts, S. Brudney and Z. Abrahamson. During the interval, Mr. A. G. Brotman, Chairman of the Society, expressed thanks to all responsible for the evening's success.

STOKE-ON-TRENT—A meeting of the Jewish Literary Society was held on Sunday, the 2nd inst., at which Dr. A. Rosenberg (of Liverpool University) spoke on "The Fate of Minority Nations." Mr. Albert Rich presided. Among those who took part in the discussion were Messrs. R. Myers, E. Bloom and Lieb. A vote of thanks to the lecturer was proposed by Mr. J. Myers and seconded by Miss M. Sumberg.

SUNDERLAND—The Literary Circle held an inter-debate with the Newcastle Zionist and Social Society on Sunday. Mr. C. Goldwater and Miss A. Rothfield proposed "That Jews should not restrict themselves to Palestine for the formation of a National Home, should an opportunity offer to form one elsewhere." Messrs. A. H. Davis and M. Cohen (Sunderland) opposed. The following also spoke: Messrs. S. Stone, C. Goldberg, I. Brewer, E. Kolson, S. Light (Sunderland), P. Lewis and A. Ross (Newcastle). The motion was defeated.

SWANSEA—The Rev. J. Weintrobe addressed the Annual Meeting of the Glamorgan West and Swansea Branch of the R.S.P.C.A. (of the Executive Committee of which he is a member) on "Shechita and the Use of Casting Machines."

Mr. A. Barer presided last week at the distribution of prizes to the pupils of the Hebrew Classes. The speakers were the Rev. J. Weintrobe, Mr. L. Palto and the Chairman. Hebrew songs, etc., were rendered by pupils of the Classes; and the function was attended by pupils of the Aberdare Hebrew Classes. Mrs. L. Palto distributed the awards. A tea and concert followed.

Hampstead Synagogue

JUNIOR MEMBERS' SABBATH

Saturday last was Junior Members' Sabbath at the Hampstead Synagogue, when the Chief Rabbi delivered a special sermon to a large congregation. The President and Vice-President occupied the Wardens' Box, together with the Hon. Officers of the Synagogue, and the Vice-President acted as *Segan*. All the *Mitzvot* were allotted to the Junior Members.

The Hon. Officers of the Synagogue attach great importance to the Junior Members' Sabbath, as it is a tangible expression of the important part that the younger members of the Congregation should, and do, take in the communal life of Hampstead. So far, the Junior Members have taken over the following activities of the Synagogue: the Children's Services, the Library and the Children's Choir. A Discussion Group has been formed to afford Junior Members an opportunity of exchanging views on important questions appertaining to the Synagogue and the Community at large. Each activity is controlled by a Committee, representatives of which sit on the Junior Board, which in turn, is linked up with the Board of Management of the Synagogue. The Junior Board invites sons of members and of non-members, between the ages of thirteen and twenty-one, to become Junior Members. All those interested should communicate with Mr. C. de Wolfe, Hon. Secretary, Hampstead Synagogue, Dennington Park Road, N.W.6.

On the same evening, over 100 children attended a Special Chanucah Service for children arranged by the Junior Members. The Children's Service Choir led the singing, and Dayan Gollop preached the sermon. The Service was conducted by the Revs. G. Boyars and I. Levy. Afterwards an entertainment was given by some of the children from the Religion Classes. Under the direction of Miss S. Hyman, they presented an excellent series of playlets and sketches.

Talmud Torah Trust

To-morrow evening, at 5.45, at Absa House, 46, Commercial Road, E.1, the Continuation Classes arranged by the Education Committee of the Talmud Torah Trust will be inaugurated. Parents and old pupils are invited. Dayan Dr. and Mrs. Feldman will act as hosts, and Mr. Herbert Adler and the Rev. Isaac Goldston will speak. About three hundred boys and girls leave the Talmud Torahs every year at the age of thirteen, and hitherto no provision whatever has been made for them at the most impressionable period of their life for continued instruction in Jewish knowledge. This deficiency the Talmud Torah Trust proposes to remedy by establishing two Continuation Classes, one in East London and one in North London. These classes will meet for five hours a week, two hours on Sunday and one-and-a-half each on Monday and Wednesday. The Central Committee for Jewish Education has consented to defray the cost of these classes out of the funds of the Shechita Board surplus.

Ethics of the Fathers

LECTURE BY DR. TRAVERS HERFORD

Dr. Travers Herford delivered a lecture on "The Ethics of the Fathers" at a meeting held on Tuesday evening at the Rose Hertz Hall of the Communal Centre under the auspices of the Jewish Higher Educational Centre.

The Chief Rabbi, who presided, spoke of the tremendous change that had taken place in the attitude of the world of scholarship towards rabbinic literature which, he said, was due to the work of a few חסידי שומות השלם whom one could count upon the fingers of one hand. One of these was Dr. Travers Herford.

In the course of his lecture, Dr. Herford said he did not know of any reason to doubt that Rabbi was the person responsible for the inclusion of Aboth in the Mishna. Dr. Herford suggested that Aboth was intended by Rabbis to be an epilogue to the Mishna, an elaborate final chapter or series of chapters whose contents, though not arranged in any apparent order, were nevertheless deliberately chosen by him, because in various ways they served his purpose. On this view, Aboth gained greatly in importance, because, while its contents judged on their own account were no less valuable than before, it was now seen to be structurally and organically a part of the Mishna; not a mere appendix tacked on as an afterthought such that if it had been left out the loss of it would not have been noticed. In a sense, it expressed the judgment of Rabbi on the completed Mishna, his view of the ethical worth and not merely the halachic value of the great *corpus juris* upon which so much time and thought and labour had been bestowed. If he was right in this suggestion as to the place of Aboth as an integral part of the Mishna, then it would shine out with an even added splendour. Its varied jewels of wisdom would be seen to be no longer separate, scattered at random through its pages, but gathered together so as to form one single object of veneration, like the jewels which went to form the breast-plate of the High Priest. There was a sort of fascination in Aboth even for Christian scholars. He, too, had felt that fascination.

A vote of thanks to Dr. Travers Herford for his lecture was accorded on the motion of the Rev. Michael Adler, D.S.O.

Women Shoppers' League

A meeting of the League was held on Tuesday at 6, Park Crescent, the residence of Dr. and Mrs. Gainsborough. Mrs. Philip Guedalla, President of the League, who presided, said that when she had visited the big shops to enlist their co-operation and their sympathy with the aims of the League, she had always had impressed upon her the necessity for educating public opinion so that the refusal to take German goods might become general amongst the women of this country. She urged her audience to make it possible for shops and stores which were perfectly willing and anxious to do so, to stop selling German goods. Miss Monica Whately expressed the opinion which she said was that, too, of many Germans who at present were unable to utter it, that the boycott rigidly and energetically prosecuted was the surest means of bringing about the downfall of Hitler and his regime of barbarous and inhuman persecution, not only of Jews but of Catholics, of women and of all who cared for progress and civilisation. A meeting will be held on Tuesday afternoon at three at the house of Mrs. Israel Kestenbaum, 6, Wildwood Road, N.W.11, when Mrs. Maria Saran, from Germany, will deliver an address. All particulars can be had from the League's Hon. Organiser Miss Therese Samuels, 47, Park Road, Clarence Gate, N.W.1.

Chanucah Celebrations

In addition to the names mentioned in our last issue, services and entertainments in connection with Chanucah were held at the following Synagogues and Institutions:

LONDON.—Central Synagogue Classes (at West Central Boys' Club); Palmers Green and Southgate Hebrew Classes, Finchley Synagogue Classes, Ilford and Valentine's Park Hebrew Classes, Stamford Hill Talmud Torah, Fieldgate Street Synagogue, Hampstead Garden Suburb Congregational Classes, Jewish Secondary School, Commercial Road Talmud Torah, Jewish Free Reading Room.

PROVINCES.—Manchester: Central Synagogue Classes: United Synagogue, Homes for Aged and Needy Jews; Liverpool: Talmudical College; Birmingham: Home for Aged Jews; Coventry; Portsmouth and Southsea; Nottingham; Cambridge: Anglo-Jewish Association Branch; Cardiff: Windsor Place Hebrew Classes.

Concert for German-Jewish Refugees

A commendable effort to raise money for German-Jewish Refugees was made by Miss Muriel Stokoe on Saturday evening, through the organisation of a concert at the Wigmore Hall. The venture deserved much more support than it received; and the programme, though not outstanding, was agreeably diversified. Brenda Sichel, 'cellist, Percy Deakin, tenor, Muriel Stokoe herself in monologues. Sidney Harrison at the piano, and Gladys Bradfield in songs with Eileen Chapman and Brenda Sichel in violin accompaniments, together with other assistance from Rachel Levin, Dorothy Walls and Constance Brown, were the artists who willingly contributed their gifts for the evening. Perhaps the first part was a little heavy and at times even lugubrious, which does not help out a programme even when the object of the concert is a mournful one, but the second part was more cheerful. Miss Stokoe and her friends' efforts deserve every encouragement, for the need is still great, and apathy is a besetting sin.

Home for Incurables

N.W. LONDON AID SOCIETY'S SUCCESS

One of the most successful functions which has ever been organised by the North-West London Aid Society to the Home and Hospital for Jewish Incurables was the ball held recently in London's largest ballroom, the Ice Rink at Grosvenor House. Nearly a thousand guests were present and the amount raised for the parent body will be round about £1,500. Of this sum, £500 was obtained at the tombola through the efforts of a very enthusiastic band of workers.

The ball was organised, as on previous occasions, under the direction of the Chairman of the Ball Committee, Mr. Samuel I. Salmon, with the assistance of the President of the Aid Society, Mr. Isaac Wolfson, and its Treasurer, Mrs. Isidor Abrahams, assisted by an efficient and hard-working Committee.

Spitalfields Sinai Association

A special celebration was held on Saturday evening, the 1st inst., at 59, Brick Lane, E., to mark the revival of the Association which had been founded in 1914 by the late Rabbi Dr. Jung. More than 150 people were present. The Service was conducted by the Rev. N. Kaplin, of the Chevra Shass Synagogue. At the subsequent supper the speakers included Rabbi Kaplinsky, Rabbi Gourvitch, Mr. Gabriel R. Jung (son of the founder of the Sinai League), the Rev. N. Kaplin, Messrs. S. Cooper, M. J. Turner and Alex. R. Goldstein, Hon. Secretary. Appeals were made to the visitors to assist the movement to uphold and promote traditional Judaism. The Association meets on Tuesday evening at 8.30, and Friday evening at 8, when Shiurim are conducted by Rabbi Kaplinsky, and services are held on Sabbath morning and afternoon followed by Shaloth Sudoth. The monthly programmes of activities can be obtained from the Hon. Secretary, Mr. Goldstein, 2, Crispin Street, Bishopsgate, E.C.2.

Educational Successes

LAW SOCIETY.—Messrs. Ronald M. Simons, Cecil Angel, Henry Miller, J. A. Phillips, Charles Morley and Joseph Dubovic have passed the Final Examination of the Law Society.

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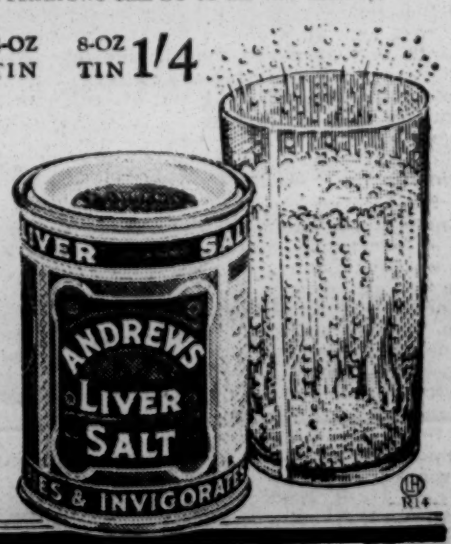

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Athletics, Sports and Clubs

A Successful Runner

The athletic career of Mr. R. Borstein, the leading long-distance runner of the Grafton Athletic Club, began in March, 1928, when he entered for the eight miles Senior Marathon Race promoted by the Association for Jewish Youth. He had never run before that date in competitions, and was surprised when he finished third, five minutes behind A. Davis who represented the Grafton in the Middlesex County Championship race. Borstein joined the Grafton at that time, and has helped it to become one of the best athletic clubs in the Metropolis. He is 5 ft. 9 ins. in height and his weight is 8 st. 4 lbs. Although he is by no means robust, his speed and stamina are amazing, and that has enabled him to compete with well-known runners in cross-country and long distance track races. In 1929, Borstein came second in the A.J.Y. eight miles cross-country race, and from 1930 to 1934 he has won with ease the A.J.Y. five miles cross-country championship trophy. In 1931 and the two following years he won the Grafton's seven-miles championship, and came in second in 1930; and he holds the six-miles road race record of 33 mins. 5 secs. After leading for the first two miles in the North of the Thames five-miles Junior Championship, Borstein was 20th out of 230 runners. In the race last year for the "Friendship Cup," organised by the Grafton, he was 16th against opponents of international and county championship standard. This season Borstein has broken two Grafton Club records made by himself—the 3½ and 5 miles races—and has won a number of cross-country and road races for his club against other clubs. At the A.J.Y. sports, he has won the half-mile and one mile for the past five years, a record that has never been beaten. He was second in the Hackney Borough one mile championship in 1930, and won the race in 1931, since when the event has not been held. In the Middlesex graded one mile race, he was second in 1933 and third in 1934, and he won an open one mile handicap race at Clacton. He is the holder of the two miles track record of his club in 9 mins. 52 secs., and joint holder of the one mile in 4 mins. 40 secs. He also won the two miles club handicap for four years in succession, three times from scratch. Borstein was chosen to represent the British Maccabi at Prague in 1933, but could not make the journey. He won the half-mile Grafton Club championship in 1932 and 1933 and was second in 1934. He has also been well placed in the races organised by his club for the "Alex Myer" memorial trophy.

Mr. R. BORSTEIN.

Messrs. R. Borstein and H. Mead will represent the Grafton Athletic Club in a five miles cross-country race next week against the Loughton and East Herts Athletic Clubs. Mr. Hyman Volinsky, of the Grafton Club, has been elected a member of the Committee of the Middlesex County Athletic League. A dance will be held by the Grafton Club in the Adolph Tuck Hall, Woburn House, on Sunday evening, the 30th inst.

Maccabi Cultural Committee

Captain W. F. Strickland, M.P., spoke on "Maccabi" at the first meeting of the Cultural Committee held last week at the Regal Cinema, Finchley Road.

Mrs. Barnett Janner, Chairman of the Committee, who presided, said that arrangements had been made to hold fortnightly cultural evenings at which prominent lecturers would deliver addresses. Hebrew Classes had been organised at the St. John's Wood Synagogue Classrooms, Abbey Road; and the Committee would like to see a larger attendance of members.

In the course of his address, Capt. Strickland said that the work done by the Cultural Committee was going to be very important in the Maccabi movement. There was a great need for establishing throughout Jewry a point of view which would be understood by people outside. It was not so much the winning of games that counted; it was the team spirit and "playing the game." As an outsider, he said he saw dissension among Jewry at the present time. What was required was a spirit of goodwill. Capt. Strickland concluded by paying a tribute to Lord Melchett for his great interest in the movement, and to Mr. Barnett Janner, who, he said, was doing great work for Jewry in Parliament and outside it.

A dance followed.

British Maccabi

A special meeting of the General Council was held last Sunday, at the residence of Dr. L. Jacobs in Maida Vale. Lieut.-Colonel J. H. Levey, was in the Chair. Delegates from London and Provincial branches were present. The principal business was the amendment of the Constitution, and the framing of a general policy for the Association as a whole. Mr. S. Shekhory gave an outline of the transport arrangements for the Second Maccabiah to be held in Tel-Aviv in April. He mentioned that the minimum cost of the tour would be £30. The following resolution was passed:

That this first Special Meeting of the General Council of the British Maccabi Association conveys its greetings and affirmation of loyalty to the President, and also to the Chairman and Executive of the Maccabi World Union, whose unselfish work on behalf of the movement is fully appreciated and respected.

The meeting concluded with votes of thanks to Dr. Jacobs for his hospitality, and the Chairman.

LONDON.—The first Soccer team playing at home last Sunday against the Deelow Football Club won by 5-3. The second Maccabi team defeated Priory Old Boys F.C. by 4-2. The Rugby team defeated "Old Paulines" by 23 points to 3.

In the men's hockey match against Kodak Film Co., Maccabi lost by 4-3. General inquiries concerning London Maccabi should be addressed to Mr. J. Byer, 79, Priory Road, N.W.6.

SHEFFIELD.—Mr. H. Zelickman has been selected to play for the local Table-Tennis League *v.* North Derbyshire Table-Tennis Association. The Sheffield Maccabi Executive is endeavouring to secure premises and facilities for Sunday football playing. All inquiries should be addressed to the Hon. Secretary, Mr. B. Pearson, 29, Broomgrove Road, Ecclesall.

A Jewish Jockey

Frank Sampson, who has just returned from Rumania where he has had a successful season, is probably the only British-born Jewish jockey. In an interview with a representative of THE JEWISH CHRONICLE he said: "I was born 25 years ago in Commercial Road, London, and received my education at Gravel Lane Council School, Henly High School, and Laburnum Street School. From an early age, I was a member of the Jews' Free School Company of the Jewish Lads' Brigade under Capts. Lion and Lawson. When I left school I made an unsuccessful attempt to get into an English racing stable, to start my apprenticeship as a jockey, which had always been my ambition. It was only natural, as my grandfather, the late Henry Isaacs, was also a jockey, he being an apprentice of the late Richard Marsh. I never knew my grandfather, as he died at a very early age. After my unsuccessful attempts to become apprenticed in England, I was accepted into a French stable, the trainer being Mr. G. Lawrence. At the conclusion of nine months of training and riding, which came to me in a natural way, I was given my first ride in public on the famous Parisian racecourse Longchamps. The horse was named "Saracotedore," and was owned by Mr. Paula Machado, the President of the Brazilian Jockey Club, for whom I rode frequently. A few months later I became one of the most successful apprentices of the French turf and rode many winners all over the country. I rode the horses trained by that great jockey, Frank O'Neill, also for Mr. A. Gosset, the famous physician, the Baron Koepper, Mr. Marc Guggenheim, the Marquis of Beffary, Baroness Romanes, Baron Rochebouet, Mme. Galteer, Baron Didville, Mr. Adolphe Hoffman, for whom I was first jockey for three years, also for the Compte de Rivaud, the Minister Lyauty and many other notable people. I have ridden in other countries with success, notably Belgium and Rumania where among others I rode for King Carol. My one ambition is to ride in front of my own people here in England. My riding weight is 7 stone 12 lbs.

FRANK SAMPSON
[JEWISH CHRONICLE Photo

Football

The following matches will be played next Sunday in the Senior League of the Association for Jewish Youth: Devonshire *v.* Central Hackney; Jews' Free School Old Boys *v.* Grand Order of Israel.

The Hull Judeans Football Club held a meeting in the Western Synagogue Chambers, with Mr. Louis Harris in the Chair. Arrangements were made for the inter-city matches against teams from Manchester, Sheffield and Grimsby. The Judeans have entered for the Sunday League Cup Competition. Mr. A. Sultan is the club's delegate to that league. Matches are played on the club's ground at Boothferry Road every Sunday. Mr. S. Barnett (115, Osborne Street) has been elected Hon. Secretary of the Judeans' football section.

Boxing

Besides the eliminator feather titles bout between Finn and Caplan at the Albert Hall on Monday, Mickey Gould will be meeting Bobby Fordham.

Erich Seelig, the German lightweight, is twenty-three years old, and has lost only three fights during his career. He has fought Marcel Thil twice for the world's middle-weight title, and was ex-middle and light-heavy-weight champion of Germany before being exiled from that country and deprived of his titles by the Nazis. On the few occasions that he has fought in England he has shown great pluck and fighting qualities. On Monday he defeated George Brennan at the Wembley Stadium; the referee stopped the contest in the fifth round.

Nat Franks continued his winning way when last week, at the Drill Hall, Victoria Park Square, he forced Fred Smith to retire at the end of the 7th round. Franks has improved out of all knowledge of late, and the time is ripe for his manager, Ben Huntman, to arrange some bouts for him against sterner opposition. Franks failed to register his twentieth consecutive win when he lost on points to Seaman Wakeling on Sunday at the Ring after a hard and well-fought contest.

Mortie Goldstein was outpointed by Jim Mitcham in an uninspiring bout at the Pavilion last week. At the Ring, Blackfriars, on Sunday, the light-weight champion, "Kid" Berg, is on the programme. He will be opposed by that seasoned performer Harry Brooks. This should be a contest full of action and thrills.

Harry Mason will be defending his title on Monday and, in the event of his winning, he has an offer to meet an old opponent in Jack Hood about the end of January. Mason, who drapes a Tallith over the post in his corner during a contest, has had a long and varied experience, having fought in practically all the world's better-known boxing centres.

Sports Items

The victory of Queensland over South Australia by three wickets last week at Brisbane, in the Sheffield Shield Cricket contest, was largely attributable to the efforts of R. Levy, Captain of the Queensland Team. He scored twenty-four in the first innings, and was exceptionally smart in the field. He made three catches in the slips and took two wickets in South Australia's second innings.

Among the activities of the South London Jewish Social and Literary Society is swimming, the members of which section meets every Tuesday evening at the Laurie Grove Baths, New Cross. Running and training for general athletics are held every Sunday morning at the Battersea Park running track. The Swimming Secretary is Miss S. Turner, 29, Mosella Road, S.W.12, and the athletic Secretary is Mr. M. Phillips, 149, Lavender Hill, S.W.11.

The Manchester Jewish Working Men's Club Women's Table-Tennis Team, present champions of the local Women's Table-Tennis League, have nine successive victories to their credit, and share the leadership of the division with another Jewish women's team, the Three Courts. Miss Ann Tenen has been selected to play in the International Trial Match.

Again That Question

"Whither Young Jewry?"

AN L.J.Y. SYMPOSIUM

A Correspondent writes:

Most Jewish youth organisations are at present much concerned with the vexed problem of "Whither Young Jewry?" The League of Jewish Youth, in common with other Youth bodies, organised a Symposium on the question at Woburn House last week. Dayan H. Lazarus presided. The L.J.Y., University of London Jewish Students' Union, Association of Young Zionist Societies and the Union of Young Israel Societies participated in the discussion, which was held before an audience of some two hundred people. The Chanucah lights were kindled and Dayan Lazarus conducted a short service prior to the discussion.

Mr. L. Courts (L.J.Y.) wished that the spirit of Maccabeus might shake the apathy that was strangling Jewry. Jewry, he said, had survived because of religion and would only continue through it. He did not consider Palestine was a solution to the Jewish problem. Mr. Norman Mann (U.Y.I.S.), who struggled gallantly against an attack of laryngitis, indulged in some useful Y.I.S. propaganda and informed the meeting that a motion had recently been put forward in his society to attempt to form a central bureau for Jewish youth. Mr. H. L. Simon (A.Y.Z.S.) attacked Mr. L. Courts for his nationalistic apathy and declared that our communal leaders had been no inspiration to youth. Mr. L. Phillips (U.L.J.U.S.) frankly confessed that he was not in a position to be able to answer the question—"Whither Young Jewry?"

After Dr. Silver had given a short but very interesting address, Miss Shine said it was impossible to follow a tradition that did not take change in its stride. Jews should return to Palestine and construct new ideals and higher aims to give to the rest of the world. Mr. Goldman accused the meeting of shirking the practical questions. Fascism and anti-Semitism should first be combated and ideals could come later. Dayan Lazarus said that it did not matter what a youth's general opinions were, as long he was still a Jew in one form or another. Young Jewry were going forward because they had realised that they were a scattered but a united race. Palestine, he declared, stands as our only spiritual centre. Mr. Nathan put the following resolution to the meeting: "That this meeting of young Jews and Jewesses realising the urgent need of co-operation and unity urges Jewish Youth Organisations to take steps to bring about the formation of a United Jewish Youth Movement." Two hands only were raised against the resolution, and it would be interesting to know the reasons of these objectors. The meeting concluded very late with a vote of thanks to the Chairman and speakers.

The Gallant "Old Vics."

Very few Jewish young men's clubs can boast of being entirely self-supporting. The Old Victorians, however, hold this proud position; and hence one encounters on their premises an atmosphere of quiet but spirited independence. They are still fighting their silent and uncomplaining battle against unsuitable premises, and in spite of this, Mr. Sidney Cohen, who is a high functionary in the Club tells me, they are better off than they have been for a long time, and that prospects are definitely bright. A greater number of active members is given as one of the reasons for this.

I know of few clubs that have more excellent raw material for the development of intelligent and fine Jewish types, than the "Old Vics." Their premises, however, are not suitable for holding the educational classes that would so help to develop this material. A special drive for funds is being made and it is hoped that it may be possible to effect certain minor alterations that would eventually enable the Club to hold the much desired classes. The "Old Vics." are running a supper dance on the night of the 25th in aid of their funds, at the Criterion Restaurant, and people who are desirous of attending a function that promises to be very jolly and at the same time want to give their support to a good cause, should communicate with the Hon. Secretary, Old Victorians' Club, 2a, Heneage Street, E.

The Old Boys' Club are displaying a venturesome spirit in their determination to help a good cause—in this case to replenish their own sadly depleted funds. Their great venture is in the form of the biggest, most expensive and most exclusively located ball that they have ever held in their long career. It is, I believe, the most ambitious project of its kind they have ever attempted; and the Dance Committee, who are a band of real workers, hope to surpass all previous results. Naturally they are optimistic enough to expect the whole-hearted support of past members, of friends and of well-wishers of the O.B.C. I was told that latest reports indicate that tickets are "going well," but if the much-hoped-for surplus is to materialise, then, in view of the heavy outlay, tickets will have to go a good deal better than merely "just well." The buffet and ball are being held at the Park Lane Hotel on Saturday, December 29th. Three first-class bands will be in attendance, and the price of tickets is 15s. 6d., inclusive. Tables may be reserved. All communications should be addressed to the Hon. Secretary, Dance Committee, 241, Mile End Road, E.

Jewish Institute Boys' Club

At a celebration held last week at the Jewish Institute, the members of the Club gave a physical training display, under the direction of Mr. E. Arram. A treat was provided for the boys by Mr. S. Klein, in celebration of his mother's 70th birthday which occurred during the Chanucah Festival. In an address to the large gathering of parents and friends, Dr. E. Bernstein paid a tribute to the excellent work of Messrs. E. Arram and S. Klein, Joint Hon. Secretaries of the Club, and said that the standard of the boys' work was widely recognised as being unusually high. Mr. J. Mendelowitch, Hon. Secretary of the Great Synagogue Guild for Social Service, and the Rev. H. Mayerowitsch associated themselves with the tribute. During the evening it was announced that a silver cup had been presented by Mr. Farbe, in appreciation of the excellent work done by the boys at their seaside camping holiday at Birchington, in the summer.

Edgware Progressive Jewish Fellowship

The objects of the Fellowship, which has recently been formed, are to provide facilities for Jews and Jewesses to meet for the general development of Jewish ideals on progressive lines; to promote the study of Jewish history and ritual by lectures, debates, readings, etc.; to provide for the social and intellectual intercourse of Jews and Jewesses of all ages on lines of friendship, peace and goodwill; to provide religious services; to cater for the religious instruction of members' children; and to afford facilities to young Jews and Jewesses for the frank discussion of Jewish problems, etc. On Sunday next, at 3 p.m., at the hall of the White Lion Hotel, Edgware, the Rev. H. P. Reinhart will address the Fellowship on "The Problems of Judaism To-day." Miss Cicely R. Barnett, 14, Grove Road, Edgware, is Hon. Secretary, *pro tem.*

We are asked to announce that when H.R.H. the Duchess of York opens the new premises of the Brady Associated Clubs in June, she has kindly consented to have donors of rooms presented to her.

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Property Notes

The Report on Housing, issued by the Ministry of Health, was discussed last week with a press representative by Mr. Alfred Bossom, M.P. He emphasised the remarkable work which Sir Hilton Young, the Minister of Health, had done in his campaign against slums and overcrowding. His policy had been the most comprehensive launched by any Government. Mr. Bossom, in outlining his own scheme for mass production in housing, said he was convinced it would in ten years secure the provision of a definite abolition of the housing problem, without forcing the building industry into an unwieldy expansion. The report of the Ministry of Health, he said, showed that since the War, nearly 2,500,000 houses had been provided, either by local authorities or by private enterprise, the number having risen from eight to ten-and-a-half million houses. That was an amazing improvement. He was sure that, if some master-mind could take control of a central body devoted to the purpose of mass production in housing, a "ten-year" plan could be drawn up which would be a triumphant success. The housing needs of the nation, he added, would be estimated and satisfied by one huge organisation. Such a "ten-year" plan would bring security and good wages to the building industry and ensure that the suppliers and manufacturers of building materials, and the trades associated with them, could work at full pressure for years to come.

Baldwin & Co., Ltd., of Holders Hill Road, Hendon, advertise in our columns this week details of a detached house and garage now being erected in the main road to Golders Green in a good-class residential district. The freehold price is £1,145, and it can be secured for a total deposit of £145.

Bolsom & Sons, the House and Estate Agents, of Heath Street, Hampstead, drew attention in our property advertisement columns to an unusual opportunity for intending house purchasers to secure a bargain in Golders Green.

Bruce Baron & Co., announce in our property columns that to all purchasers this month of Leslie Hobbs' houses at Canons Park, Edgware, of which they are the Agents, a brand new 25 guinea H.M.V. Refrigerator will be presented free of charge. These exceptionally-built houses are of the 3 and 4 bedroom type and the price of each is £1,375 freehold. For the sum of £10 one of these properties can be secured. Particulars and further details can be obtained from the South Lodge Estate Office, Canons Park, Edgware, or from Messrs. Bruce Baron's Head Office, 9, Queen's Parade, Walm Lane, N.W.2.

A. W. Curton, Ltd., the well-known Edgware firm of builders, have issued a new edition of their book of "Carton-built" houses. It contains new photographs of a number of these charming houses, as well as designs and plans of their construction. A copy can be obtained on application to the firm's estate office, Edgwarebury Lane, Edgware.

Goldschmidt & Howland inform us that they have been successful in selling at the auction held last week, No. 9, Bramshill Gardens, a detached freehold property with a garage.

Leslie Raymond is the sole agent for the sale of a most attractive detached new property in the Hampstead Garden Suburb, within easy reach of shops and tube station. The house, which is the last word in modernity, contains four large bedrooms, two reception-rooms, bathroom, kitchen, etc., and the price is £1,650 for a 99 years' lease. Raymond's estate office is facing the Golders Green Tube Station where full details can be obtained.

J. Trevor & Sons, of 23, Coleman Street, E.C.2, have received instructions to sell by auction next month the whole of the properties comprised in the estate of the late Willie Clarkson, the theatrical costumier and wigmaker. The investments comprise: Freehold ground rent of £1,500 p.a., very amply secured upon the ultra-modern Duchess Theatre, Strand; freehold shop property in Wellington Street, Strand; the palatial building in Wardour Street, Shaftesbury Avenue, the headquarters of the business; and the goodwill, together with the entire stock, fittings and fixtures. We are asked to state that the business is being carried on as usual, and that the goodwill will in no way be impaired.

Chamberlain & Willows, of Moorgate, have completed the sale of one of the few remaining sites scheduled for industry on the well-known Cambridge Arterial Road. The purchasers, a radio firm of repute, plan to erect a modern factory in the near future. The land adjoins the Chase Side Motor Co.'s Works. Messrs. Chamberlain & Willows' activities include the disposal of practically an island site in a prominent position in the City Road, Finsbury. The freehold of this has been sold to a development company.

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Investments and Securities

BY OUR CITY EDITOR

Dividend announcements now declared by the important South African gold mining companies are on the whole satisfactory. Several undertakings are paying more than in June last year, and certainly more than in December, 1933. The Sub Nigel and Randfontein Estate Companies stand out prominently with particularly good distributions. The announcements have created fresh investment demand for the shares of sound Rand gold mining propositions. Prices naturally vary from time to time, but successful years of working are before many of the companies with gold at its present price. In other sections business is comparatively small. This is largely explained by the season of the year and some anxiety regarding political conditions in Central Europe. Credit supplies in London are very plentiful, and there is evidence of further expansion in British trade, factors which must sustain investors' interest in British securities of many kinds. The outlook for markets is still promising, providing that no undue interruptions take place in foreign politics.

Sun Life of Canada

Statistics of new business in the year to November 13th last, issued by the Sun Life Assurance Company of Canada, again make an encouraging showing. The total new business in the United Kingdom secured by the Company last year amounted to more than £7,000,000, representing an increase of £1,225,000 over the results of the previous twelve months. It is interesting to find that advances were recorded in all branches of the Company's activities. A feature of new business is a sum of £1,306,827, representing purchase money for annuities taken with the Sun Life of Canada during 1934. It will be realised that the figures submitted apply to the activities of the Company in the United Kingdom and take no account of the substantial business conducted in other countries.

Increasing the Dividend

A further improvement in the position of Barclays Bank (Dominion, Colonial and Overseas) is shown in the report for the year to September 30th last. This Company, which is affiliated with Barclays Bank, Ltd., was originally incorporated in 1836 as the Colonial Bank and re-incorporated under its present title in 1925. The report for the past financial year shows net profits of £409,827 against £371,548, of which £75,000 against £50,000 is provided for income tax. The reserve fund receives £100,000, whereas a year ago a similar amount was transferred to the contingency account. A final dividend of 2¼ per cent. is recommended on the "A" and "B" shares to make 5 per cent. for the year compared with 4½ per cent. in the previous four years. A balance of £216,816 remains to be carried forward compared with £216,476 brought into the accounts.

COMPANY MEETING

RHOKANA CORPORATION

ALL-ROUND PROGRESS

ISSUE OF PREFERENCE SHARES

The 12th Annual General Meeting of the Rhokana Corporation, Limited, was held on December 10th at Southern House, E.C.

The Rt. Hon. Sir Auckland C. Geddes, P.C., G.C.M.G., K.C.B. (the Chairman), said that they had made an operating profit of £614,412 and the net accumulated profit was £429,907. As to why the Directors did not recommend a dividend, it was because they were definitely un-capitalised in relation to the rapid expansion and magnitude of their undertakings and they were being compelled to use all their profits either as working capital or to supply part of the fixed capital necessary for their expansion. Hence the proposal for the issue of preference shares.

In addition to being a mining company they were a holding company, holding 2,758,586 shares in Mufulira Copper Mines, Ltd., for which they had paid £1,007,731. Calculated on the present market price of Rhodesian Selection Trust shares, their holding of Mufulira shares was worth £1,793,000. That Mine was still in process of development and equipment, but had already commenced production.

The total ore reserves of the various deposits owned by the Corporation was 270,780,000 short tons, averaging 4.3 per cent. copper, less approximately 3,850,000 tons extracted to date. They were now extracting about 200,000 tons of ore a month, and at that rate there were more than 110 years' reserves of ore. Their richest ore still remained to be developed and worked. In other words, they were milling ore definitely below the calculated average of their ore reserves. It was important to remember that there were over eleven million tons of real copper in the Mine. That had a very real influence on policy. Similarly, Mufulira's ore reserves of 162 million short tons of 4.14 per cent. copper content must have an influence on that company's policy.

Rhokana had, and Mufilara would soon have, a complete treatment plant designed and built on the most modern lines and capable of producing enormous quantities of metal. At present they could sell all that they produced, and they would not seek to produce copper that they could not sell; but he believed that they were going to be called upon for more copper. England was consuming more copper to-day than in the boom years.

THE QUESTION OF PRICE

They wanted to see the price higher but not too high, because they wanted the market to grow; they wanted the uses of copper to multiply. They were quite prepared to co-operate with other copper producers to prevent the accumulation of stocks; they were quite prepared to make some sacrifices to that end, but they would not take a back seat and be thankful for small mercies. They were entitled to a reasonable proportion of the world's markets. He had been told that they were not so entitled, because they were insufficiently capitalised. He hoped that the shareholders would give an emphatic answer to that argument by approving the issue of the new preference shares. They had all but completed their electrolytic refinery with an annual capacity of 36,000 tons of copper.

The position was that they had a reserve of over 11 million tons of copper carried in the Balance-sheet at £1; they had a magnificent plant; they had spent £1,794,908 on development, but they had written that down and set up a reserve against the written down figure. The copper market was expanding, and, although they intended to hold firmly to the policy of producing only what they could sell, they felt that they must put themselves into a position to produce more because it would be wanted. They were going to ask the shareholders to approve the creation of £1,500,000 of redeemable cumulative preference shares. They had made a contract to sell at 21s. the whole of the shares to Messrs. N. M. Rothschild & Sons who would resell them, giving preferential consideration to the Corporation's shareholders.

The Report and Accounts were unanimously adopted, and the proposed increase of capital was approved.

The "A" £1 fully paid shares stand at 34s. 6d., the "B" £5 shares, £1 paid up, being held by Barclays Bank, Ltd.

National Building Society

Year by year the National Building Society continues to expand. The report for the year to October 31st last shows that total assets increased by £2,111,397 to £24,887,687 during the year. The share capital was increased by £1,735,505 to £22,515,451 and the mortgage assets by £1,919,282 to £22,137,192. The balance of profit and loss account amounted to £1,136,516. Provision of interest at the rate of 4 per cent. tax free on share investments prior to June 1st, 1933, and 3½ per cent. tax free after that date absorbed £851,031. An appropriation of £5,000 is made to the staff pension scheme, while the net increase in the reserve funds was £263,279, increasing those accounts to £1,093,574. A feature of the year was the greater volume of new advances, the amount advanced on mortgages last year being £4,687,386 against £4,002,476 previously. The average new mortgage tends to be smaller in amount, which, as the Society adds, "is thought to be an added safeguard."

Finance for Rhokana

The Corporation is at present definitely under-capitalised in relation to the rapid expansion and magnitude of its undertaking. This statement was made by Sir Auckland Geddes at a recent meeting of the Rhokana Corporation, Ltd., the important Rhodesian copper mining proposition. It explains why the Company with an operating profit of £614,412 last year paid no dividend. The profits were utilised as working capital. Consequently an isssue of £1,500,000 5½ per cent. Redeemable Cumulative Preference shares has been successfully launched at a price of 21s. per share. Further issues are foreshadowed partly to repay an outstanding loan from British South Africa Company and to provide for further development. The copper reserves of the Corporation exceed 1,000,000 tons. This asset is carried in the Balance-sheet at £1. Up-to-date plant erected in the heart of Africa at a cost of £5,669,738 has been written down to £3,000,000. An electrolytic refinery with a capacity of 36,000 tons per annum is almost completed. These are facts demonstrating the magnitude of the Corporation's activities. Rhokana £1 Ordinary shares are valued at 4 7-16.

Increasing Profits

Sales and profits of Milton Proprietary Limited continue to expand. Owing to an alteration in the financial year from December 31st to September 30th, the report to last September covers nine months' operations and shows a net profit of £36,341. This compares with a profit of £49,139 in the previous period of fifteen months. The final ordinary dividend is 6¼ per cent. to make 11¼ per cent. for the past financial period, equal to 15 per cent. per annum. In the previous period the total distribution was 18¾ per cent., which was also equivalent to a dividend at the rate of 15 per cent. per annum. The balance to be carried forward is raised by £21,548 to £88,371. Reference is made in the report to the recent offer to acquire the £1 Preference Shares of the Company at 30s. and the £1 ordinary at 35s. by Messrs. John Parker and Partners, Ltd. This offer has since been withdrawn. Milton Proprietary ordinary shares last changed hands at 34s.

Answers to Correspondents and Company Items

(Advice and references in this column are given on the strict understanding that no legal or other liability is thereby incurred. Readers who desire answers to financial questions should address their enquiries to the City Editor, THE JEWISH CHRONICLE, 2, Finsbury Square, London, E.C.2, and these should reach the office not later than first post on Tuesday in each week.)

JESTER, Harrow.—The Sub Nigel dividend was considered satisfactory and the retention of the shares is suggested.

L.K.M., Herts.—Imperial Industries 10 per cent. Deferred shares are a reasonable holding for possible capital appreciation over the next few months.

ENID, Leeds.—London Midland and Scottish Railway 4 per cent. Preference at 85½ should suit your requirements. Southern Railway 5 per cent. Preferred Ordinary stock might be held on the possibility of a larger distribution for the current year. The payment for 1933 was 3 per cent.

Luipaards Vlei Estate & Goldmining Company Ltd.—Mr. E. Turk (Chairman of the Company), who presided at the ordinary general meeting of the Company on Wednesday last, in the course of his speech said: "The mine is in a sound position, and there is every likelihood of its developing into a property of increasing importance. As you will have seen from the Report, the Company is still pursuing a policy of increasing the size of its mining areas whenever a favourable opportunity occurs. During the year under review, we acquired twenty-four claims, making thereby our total mining area the equivalent of 1,868 claims. In addition, the Company owns the freehold of the Farm Luipaards Vlei No. 8, the northern part of which presents interesting possibilities in regard to the creation of a new township. The large mining area ensures to the Company a very long life, and it is interesting in this connection to note that the Government Authorities in South Africa recently estimated the life of the mine for the purpose of redemption of capital expenditure in connection with income-tax at thirty-three years in place of their previous figure of twenty-three years." An abridged report of the meeting is published in this issue of THE JEWISH CHRONICLE.

The Standard Life Assurance Company has declared the Annual Compound Bonus of 42s. per cent. The Company is proud of the fact that notwithstanding the bad times, they have been enabled to maintain this bonus at the same rate as even in the most prosperous periods. The Head Office of the Company is at 3, George Street, Edinburgh, and the London Offices are at 46, Queen Victoria Street, E.C.4, and 15a, Pall Mall, S.W.1.

Town Investments, Ltd.—Mr. A. Maitland Kisch, F.S.I. (Chairman and Managing Director), who presided at the Twelfth Ordinary General Meeting of the Company held last week said, "We have progressed with the development of the Waddon Factory Estate. The recent England-Australia race has stimulated interest in the future prospects of airial transport. The possibility of loading light manufactured goods from the factory door to an aeroplane capable of delivering to the ends of the earth in two or three days, opens up prospects for world trade the latent consequences of which strike the imagination. Any development of this nature must increase the value and utility of our Waddon property, due to its situation adjoining the Croydon Airport. An abridged report of the meeting is published in this issue of THE JEWISH CHRONICLE.

COMPANY MEETINGS

TOWN INVESTMENTS, LIMITED

UNASSAILABLE FINANCIAL STRUCTURE

The Twelfth Ordinary General Meeting of Town Investments, Ltd., was held on 6th December, at 47, Grosvenor Street, London, W.

Mr. A. Maitland Kisch, F.S.I. (Chairman and Managing Director), said that he was pleased to report continued prosperity. The net profit was £63,383, some £3,000 less than a year ago; but he anticipated that that result would be satisfactory when the Shareholders appreciated the investment difficulties of the time. The net profit represented net earnings of slightly under 20 per cent. upon the ordinary capital. This rate of earnings was about equal to the average of the last three years. The addition of £10,000 from the year's profits, together with the transfer of £20,000 previously standing to the credit of dividend equalisation, had increased the general reserve to £250,000, a sum equal to the authorised and issued ordinary capital.

The Balance Sheet was an impressive one and revealed an unassailable financial structure. The position was liquid and offered great scope for expansion. It had been the Directors' keen desire to build up on strong foundations, and in that they had succeeded. Up-to-the-hilt distributions could not enhance the real value of their enterprise. The Directors were following the sensible practice of thrift and discreet shareholders would surely endorse their policy.

The Company possessed a secure business and enjoyed the advantage of a valuable goodwill. Their scope was limitless and he believed in their ability to prosper. Continued general trade improvement already facilitated the letting of vacant business properties and should tend to restore declining rental values. Given international and political stability, they appeared to be "set fair" for that continued steady prosperity which they would spare no effort to maintain.

The Report was unanimously adopted.

Luipaards Vlei Estate and Gold Mining Co.

DIVIDEND INCREASED TO 50 PER CENT.

The Ordinary General Meeting of Luipaards Vlei Estate and Gold Mining Co., Ltd., was held on 12th December in London.

Mr. E. Turk (the Chairman) said that the net results of the year's operations was a profit of £176,032, which compared with £135,100 for the previous year. The Directors recommended the payment of a dividend of 50 per cent., equal to 1s. per share, less income tax, leaving a sum of £45,072 to be carried forward to the current year's accounts. This dividend compared with 33⅓ per cent. for last year and 12½ per cent. for the year before. The share capital stood at £274,279 as against £229,874 in the previous accounts. The two reserve accounts in the Balance sheet totalled £170,000, equal to over 60 per cent. of the Company's issued capital.

In order to provide for proposed capital expenditure, an issue would be made of £275,000 5-year Notes bearing interest at 5½ per cent., and convertible into shares at the option of the holder at the rate of 120 shares for each £100 Notes. This worked out at 16s. 8d. per share. The Notes would be repayable at the end of five years, or earlier, at a premium of £5 per cent. on six months' notice by the Company. In accordance with their practice in the past, the offer would be confined to shareholders. Last year's profit of the Company covered the interest requirements of the Note Issue more than eleven times. The large mining area ensured to the Company a very long life; the French-Rand Tudor area had added to the prospective value of the property in an important degree, the extent of which should become definitely known through the exploration work which was to commence in the course of the coming year. During next year, the plant should treat an output of 10 per cent. to 15 per cent. above the highest figures so far reached. Altogether, they could look forward to the results of the New Year with confidence.

The Report and Accounts were unanimously adopted.

East and West

From the Jewish Press

By EXAMINER

THE ICA'S DEFENCE

The reply of Sir Osmond d'Avigdor-Goldsmid to the recent criticism of the Ica has not met with a good reception in the Jewish Press.

The only satisfaction, in the opinion of a writer in the MOMENT, is that those in control of the tremendous trust are beginning to feel a little uncomfortable, and while not condescending to offer an explanation to the Jewish public about the administration of the funds, Sir Osmond has at least been courteous enough to give an indirect answer to some of the strictures passed upon the body over which he now presides. Sir Osmond's denial that the activities of the Ica are unknown to the public is effectively answered by THE JEWISH CHRONICLE, the article points out. For though annual reports are printed in French, these are not accompanied by adequate financial statements. The assets of the Ica are not known, nor are its losses. Without such knowledge it is impossible to assess the value of its activities. No reasonable explanation had been given for effecting a change in the character of the Ica, whereby an enormous sum had to be paid to the British Government in death duties. The Chairman admits heavy losses in Russia as a result of the Revolution; but he is silent on a very material point: Why did the Ica sink new capital in Russia after the Revolution, which resulted in fresh losses? The observation by Sir Osmond that Baron Hirsch left his money especially for Russian Jews thereby imposing a duty upon the Directors to engage primarily in work in that country, is somewhat surprising. Surely the concept of "Russian Jews" has undergone a fundamental change as a result of the break-up of the Russian Empire; the Jews of Poland, Lithuania, Latvia and Bessarabia are constituent parts of the former Russia, and Baron Hirsch had them in mind as much as those who remain within the present Russian frontiers. Did the Ica ever as much as consult the Jews in the countries of its activities as to their needs? The statement that those in control of the Ica are leading representative Jewish personalities, is regarded by the writer as a huge joke. Three British Jews, three German, three French and two Belgian Jews may be admirable representatives of their respective communities, but can they really be considered representatives of the Jewish people, capable of coping with the task imposed upon the Directors of the Ica?

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AND THE JOINT

The Joint Distribution Committee is of an entirely different character from that of the Ica. It was formed twenty years ago, and during that period it has rendered enormous services to large Jewish communities in different parts of the world, especially in Eastern Europe. It has distributed something like a hundred million dollars among the needy Jewish communities.

While the collections of the Joint are on a democratic basis, the same democratic principle does not, according to the TOG, prevail in its administration. Its latest report, containing figures of the money distributed is severely commented upon by the journal. It commends the spending of 500,000 dollars on 60,000 refugees who, uprooted from their homes, have had to be maintained in their exile and helped to establish themselves in their new homes. This was just and humane. But the Joint expended half a million dollars on 600,000 Jews in Germany, while granting only 340,000 dollars for the rescue of three million Jews of Poland. This seems to savour of discrimination. It has been argued that the best way of helping German Jews is not to spend money within Germany to bolster up their tottering communal institutions, but to help as many German Jews as possible to leave the country. The Joint Distribution Committee does not seem to have reckoned with this argument. It proceeded on the assumption that German Jewry is to continue to stay in Germany with its numbers practically intact and that its institutions, originally devised to cope with the problems of a large and growing community, must be maintained at all cost. At the same time the help to be extended to the almost hopelessly ruined East European Jewry has been considerably curtailed; while Palestine, admittedly the only haven of refuge for an appreciable part of European Jewish wanderers, including German-Jewish refugees, has received less than one-fifth of the Joint Distribution Committee's disbursement.

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PALESTINE IMMIGRATION

The restricted immigration to Palestine, despite the slight improvement, is in a large measure responsible for the internal dissensions. The distribution of the certificates must, in view of the limited number, be on a selective basis. What is the basis?

DAVAR, discussing the position, insists that such distribution must above all correspond to the realities of the situation. It should be remembered that they were not engaged merely in the immigration problem in Palestine, but were essentially occupied with the building up of the Jewish National Home. Their task was not a philanthropic one, but that of national upbuilding. This aspect, says the paper, cannot be emphasised too strongly. . . . It is workers alone that can create the necessary conditions in the country enabling other classes of Jews to settle. The labour organ admits that private initiative is equally necessary to the building up of Eretz Yisrael, but points out that the wealthier type of Jew does not come under the category of labour, and though that class formerly held itself aloof from Zionist endeavours, it is now in the lucky position of utilising the advantages created by the labour pioneers.

All this is true enough, but the differences in regard to the distribution of the certificates have more to do with the type of the worker. The question, asked in many quarters, is whether it is indispensable for the worker to undergo the special training known as the *Hachsharah*, which hitherto has constituted the basis of the successful Jewish colonisation in Palestine, or whether the time has now come when it is possible to dispense with *Hachsharah* at least as at present constituted.

MR. NEVILLE LASKI, K.C., President of the Board of Deputies of British Jews, will leave for his visit to the United States (already announced in THE JEWISH CHRONICLE) by the "Ile de France" next Tuesday. He will return on the "Majestic," which leaves New York on January 9th and arrives at Southampton on January 15th.

Jewish Memorial Council Scholarships

The Max Michaelis Scholarship has been awarded to Lionel Kauffman, of Quebec, Canada. In 1930, Mr. Kauffman ranked first in the Lachine Elementary Schools, thereby winning the Commissioners' Medal and Entrance Scholarship into the High School. In the Third Year in the High School he again won the Commissioners' Scholarship, and last June he obtained with high standing Matriculation into McGill University. His Rabbinic education was obtained privately.

The Samuel Henry Emanuel Scholarship has been awarded to Abraham Baum. Mr. Baum is a student at the Davenant Foundation School. He passed Matriculation with Honours and distinctions in five subjects. His Rabbinic education was obtained at the Yeshiva Etz Chaim.

ALFRED LOUIS COHEN SCHOLARSHIPS

The Trustees have awarded a scholarship to Mr. Charles Jaffa, of Birmingham. Mr. Jaffa is at present a student at Jews' College. He matriculated in June, 1933. Before he came to Jews' College, he was a student at the George Dixon Secondary School, Birmingham.

The Trustees have awarded to Bernard M. Casper a bursary at Jews' College, to be followed by a scholarship. Mr. Casper is a student at Raine's Foundation School. He passed the London Matriculation in 1933, with distinctions. He is also a student at the Jewish Higher Educational Centre, where he has successfully passed both parts of the Jews' College Middle Grade Teachers' Examination, the second part with distinction.

Habonim

All the Gedudim in North-West London were represented at a special Habonim Service at Brondesbury Synagogue on Saturday, the Bonim and Bonot all being dressed in uniform. After the Service, members of the Congregation adjourned to the Classrooms where Hebrew songs were rendered by the children. They re-assembled in the Synagogue Hall in the afternoon and, after the *Petiha* ceremony had been observed, tea was provided by the Ladies' Guild. A successful performance followed, in which songs were rendered by the massed Gedudim, a short Chanucah play was performed by the Bonot of Gedud Deborah, and all the Gedudim joined in Hebrew games.

The fourth annual Hagigah and display of models will be held at the Central Hall, Westminster, on Wednesday afternoon, the 26th inst., at 2.45. Over forty groups will give demonstrations of some of the activities of Habonim, and the programme will include Hebrew and English songs and plays and pageants.

Stamford Hill and South Tottenham Congregation

The Congregation was founded recently, with the object of catering for the numerous Jewish families in the locality. Efforts will be made to form a Talmud Torah, as many local children are not receiving any Jewish education, because the existing North London Classes are too distant from their homes. Services are held for the present on Saturdays at 111, Crowland Road, N. (by permission of Mr. and Mrs. B. Bard). A dance was held on Saturday evening at Crowland Road School, under the auspices of the Ladies' Guild in conjunction with the Congregation. Over 150 people were present at the function, which was a social and financial success. All interested in the Congregation are asked to communicate with Mr. S. Goldberg, 87, Lealand Road, N.15.

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Travel Notes and News

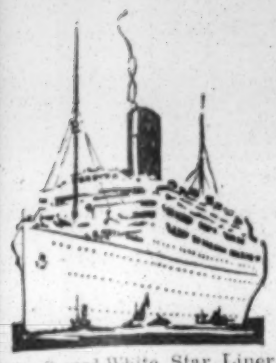
By "GREEN FLAG"

A 1934 TRAVEL SUMMARY: (II) CRUISING

I find that the data I have acquired relative to the past cruising season is so vast that it will be impossible for me to deal with this subject in a single week's issue. Therefore there will be a supplementary article on this subject next week.

CUNARD WHITE STAR'S RECORD SEASON

When the "Lancastria" returned to Liverpool on October 22nd from a Mediterranean cruise with over 500 passengers, this marked the close of the Cunard White Star season of pleasure cruises. Since last March, no fewer than seven of the Company's vessels, representing nearly 152,000 gross tons of shipping, have completed a programme of forty-seven cruises during which they have carried the record number of over 30,000 passengers. Altogether, this cruising fleet which included the "Homeric," "Carinthia," "Samaria," "Lancastria," "Laurentic," "Adriatic" and "Doric" has steamed over 200,000 miles, visiting some fifty ports and places *en route*. The majority of the cruises have been carried out by the "Lancastria" from Liverpool, from London by the "Samaria," and from Southampton by the "Homeric," Britain's largest cruising liner, which recently concluded her programme, during which she carried over five thousand passengers. Arrangements have now been made for the "Homeric" to leave Southampton on the 21st inst. for a cruise to Lisbon, the Canary Isles and Madeira. Passengers will spend Christmas Day at sea, Boxing Day at Las Palmas and New Year's Eve at Madeira, where they will take part in the annual festivities which are held here to celebrate the new year.



The Cunard-White Star Liner "Franconia," after her successful 1934 world-cruise, is repeating the voyage in January next.

EUSY "CANPAC"

The Canadian Pacific 1934 cruise programme was a lengthy and most successful one and covered a wide range of ports of call. Commencing with the 124-day "Around the World" cruise of the giant luxury liner "Empress of Britain" which sailed in January, followed by Spring cruises in the famous "Duchess" class liners to the West Indies, Mediterranean and Gallipoli, the "Empress of Australia," known in cruising circles as "The Dreamship of Cruises," completed three first-class cruises to Norway, whilst the well-known "Mont" class cabin liners, the "Montrose," "Montclare" and "Montcalm" made in all nineteen cruises from Liverpool, London and Southampton to Madeira, North Africa, Spain and the Mediterranean which proved extremely popular. The Company's cruises by the "Melita" from Glasgow and Belfast to the Mediterranean also sailed with fine passenger lists. The Canadian Pacific have now completed their cruising arrangements for 1935 and a bumper and varied programme of both cabin and first-class cruises has been fixed. It is anticipated that bookings will again be brisk.

HAPPY AMERICAN EXPORT

The American Export Lines have had a most successful year, particularly as far as Mediterranean cruises are concerned, and it is no exaggeration to say that practically throughout the year the vessels have been booked to capacity; at times, the demand for accommodation exceeded the supply. Reports from passengers leave no doubt as to the high standard of cuisine and the really exceptional comfort of the cabins, and as a regular fortnightly service is maintained and the four vessels employed are similar in every way, the stop-over facility has been greatly appreciated. While the round journey occupies three weeks, passengers who desire to spend a short while in Egypt or Palestine can stop-over and rejoin the next vessel, completing the whole tour in five weeks. As a real "value for money" proposition these cruises are unequalled. The inclusive fare of £55 provides first-class return from London to Marseilles.

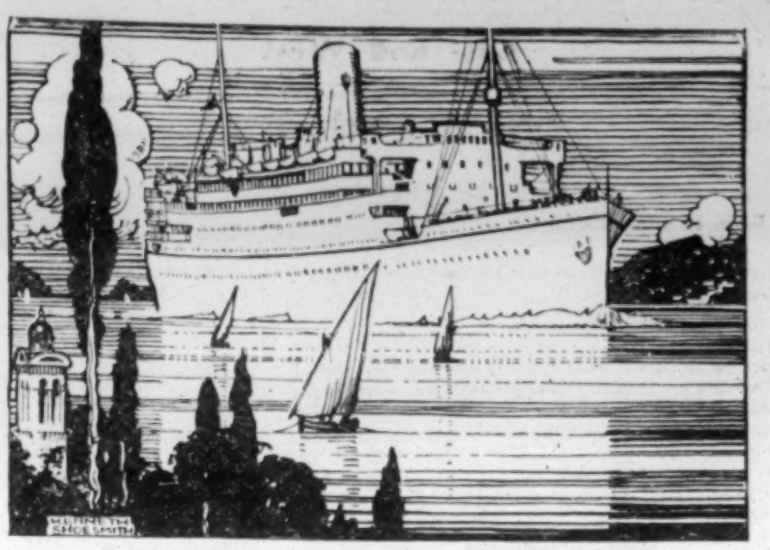
ROYAL MAIL'S FINE REPORT

During 1934, the popular cruising liner "Atlantis" of the Royal Mail Lines, has made 13 cruises, embracing 58 different ports of call. Her first cruise in January, to the South Atlantic, following a course of 14,000 odd miles, gave passengers the unique opportunity of seeing the world's loneliest island, Tristan da Cunha. No vessel has since called at that rocky sea-girt outpost. During succeeding months, the popularity of this vessel has been fully demonstrated by her passenger lists, every cruise being well supported and several booked to the full capacity of more than 400. The usual July cruise to the Far North, embracing Iceland, Spitzbergen, Jan Mayen and Bear Islands—when the vessel steams for days through icefields, and the sun never sets—was again equally in favour with the following trip of 7 days duration. This innovation in first-class cruising was commenced a few years ago by "Atlantis," and its instant success has made it a keenly anticipated annual event, from which many would-be passengers are always shut out through late application. Certainly the necessity for early application for all cruises cannot be overstressed, and passengers stand to lose nothing, but indeed gain everything. The beautiful Northern Capitals of Europe again vied with the delightful spots along the Dalmatian coast, ever popular Venice, and many other delectable shores around the blue Mediterranean, each visited at its appropriate and most charming periods. Finally, the programme is concluded by the December 21st cruise to West Africa and Atlantic Isles.

Above is a view of the dining saloon on the Royal Mail Turbine Steamer "Asturias" (22,500 tons gross). This vessel is to make a cruise of more than 20,000 miles, commencing 22nd January, to the Mediterranean, Egypt, Ceylon, Malay Straits, Java, Bali, and back to England, via Mauritius, South and West Africa and Las Palmas.

LAMPORT AND HOLT SUCCESS

During the year, the Lamport and Holt steamers "Voltaire" and "Vandyck" were engaged upon cruising from 3rd March until the 23rd October, during which time twenty cruises, commencing from the Port of Liverpool, were made, eleven by the "Voltaire" and nine by the "Vandyck." That this form of holiday is losing none of its popularity was made manifest by the great demand for accommodation, which reached its peak in early August. During the year, new ground was broken, when both ships cruised the Norwegian Fjords. One very pleasing feature was the number of passengers who were making their third or fourth cruise by this Line. A few regular patrons made as many as four cruises during the year under review. Altogether, it is felt that Lamport and Holt may look back upon a highly successful season, and with sundry improvements that have been carried out from time to time for the comfort of passengers, they can look forward to 1935 with keen anticipation, and the knowledge that an even more attractive programme than in the past has been prepared.



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Theatre

"Glory Be"

THE PSYCHOLOGY OF REVIVALISM

If Llewellyn Williams, the principal character in Mr. Arnold Ridley's play which has been presented at the Arts Theatre Club, a revivalist Welsh coal-miner who carried his campaign into Somerset, was sincere, even within generous limits of the term, then religious emotionalism such as he played on is a good deal more involved in the seamy side of human nature than honest men can be expected to stomach. If, on the other hand, he was an out-and-out humbug, then in describing his dramatic conflict with a decent if not very intelligent young footballer whose girl the revivalist tried to seduce, Mr. Ridley has been compelled to drag concepts which are sacred to many down into the mean gutters of selfishness and hypocrisy. This is the difficulty about "Glory Be." In either case we are forced to realise that the plane of religious reaction of the ignorant admits of features repellant to more developed personalities, and just as a great phrase parodied can be broken in its glory, so principles once plastered with mud retain the odour of pollution.

We see Llewellyn a natural orator and spell-binder, also an unscrupulous seducer of women, dependent for the inspiration of his religious oratory upon sexual excitement and intoxication. It is, of course, a perfectly believable phenomenon, and probably more common than is generally thought. Mr. Ridley places his revivalist on the brink of disaster: public denunciation before his bemused followers. And then very credibly he is rescued by a most outrageous piece of planned lying. It is an interesting study of one aspect of revivalism, and the author's skilful dialogue holds the attention while his depicting of the character of Llewellyn is vigorous and convincing. He was a masterly creature, not unacquainted with fear yet in no sense a coward.

Harry Oscar, struggling with a Welsh accent, gave an impressive performance as the revivalist, and Cameron Hall did splendidly with some very natural cockney humour. As the footballer, John Boxer was suitably serious and rather irritatingly determined, while, as his nearly lost fiancée Isola Strong gave a restrained and beautiful piece of acting. Good work was also provided by Oliver Jonston as a cultured, broadminded Church of England clergyman and by Allan Rose as another professional footballer; his Welsh accent was quite the most convincing; though Ena Moon, who gave a very vivid picture of the Revivalist's earlier victim, showed great care in the study of the dialect.

"Merrie England"

CHANGES IN THE CAST

With the arrival of the pantomime season, there have had to be changes in the cast of "Merrie England" at Princes Theatre, due to earlier contracts on the part of members, which are due to be fulfilled. These changes have brought Hélène Raye, a very clever young Jewish artist, to play the important rôle of Bessie Throckmorton, and we have accordingly a chance of appraising her very marked talents. Miss Raye, whose portrait is reproduced here, has an uncommonly fine voice and knows how to use it. In texture it is rich and smooth and her technique has the easy accuracy which makes her singing sound effortless. Her number, "She had a letter from her love," well deserves the applause it is receiving. "Merrie England," with its beautiful luxury of costume and setting, is sure to be one of the best appreciated shows of the holiday season, for it is entertainment for all ages, thanks principally to the lavish production and Edward German's charming music.

"Young England" Moves On

After an amazingly successful run at the Victoria Palace, Mr. Walter Reynolds' astonishing melodrama, "Young England," has moved on to the Kingsway Theatre, where this extraordinary specimen of unintentional funniness is likely to enjoy a further spell of popularity.

To relish the show to the full one must be in a mischievously humorous mood and the audience must include a fair sprinkling of cockney wits so that when the villainous Jabez Hawk, J.P., announces that the Duchess of Troisent is compelled to sell her country house and contents, the priceless flavour of a phrase such as "the hall and all" shall not go unappreciated, or the disconcerting announcement by a slim pale heroine, "done wrong" by a scheming traitor, that she is "going to have a baby any minute," shall arouse the hilarity it deserves. Personally I laughed till I was limp, and am still filled with admiration of the facial control of the large cast, which never once broke into an unappropriate smile. Such a monument of innocence as "Young England" is beyond all compare with studied burlesque. Even in the corridor of the theatre after the play, the audience was still in giggles—and of how many intentionally funny shows can that be recorded?

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"Pippa Passes"

A GALLANT EXPERIMENT

Convinced that Browning's "Pippa Passes" is a drama in verse rather than a dramatic poem, Miss Eve Acton-Bond and her company boldly put their conviction to the test and produced the work on the stage of the Fortune Theatre. The experiment proved, to my mind, that their belief was ill-founded. All the same, it was an interesting test. It showed, among other things, that Browning may have been master of monologue and a genius at constructing a short story, but a failure in dialogue and drama. His language speaks badly while reading so well.

In construction, of course, "Pippa" is intensely awkward. It is based on the idea that the voice of Pippa, an innocent factory girl in nineteenth century Italy, singing on her one day of holiday, reaches the ears of a series of persons at climacteric periods of their lives and calls them to virtue at the very point when they are about to compact with the Devil. All of the little dramas, with the exception perhaps of that in which the Bishop is being tempted to villainy by a murderous intendant, are highly artificial. Jo Acton-Bond spoke Pippa's lines with a charming innocence, though Browning's involved thought came strangely from her lips, and the music of her song was more calculated to draw a bucket of water on herself than to snatch a brand from the burning. Richard Goolden made brilliant work of Bluphocks. Dorothy Black and George Skillan gave the murderous lovers' scene in heavy melodrama, though the latter, together with A. Acton-Bond, played excellently in the Bishop's temptation. The play was followed by Sierra's lovely "Holy Night," in which both staging and acting were excellent and the performance particularly of the younger members of the cast a joy to watch.

Young Mr. Disraeli

MOVES TO THE PICCADILLY

Less than a month ago I had the opportunity of discussing Elswyth Thane's "Young Mr. Disraeli," when it was first put on at the Kingsway Theatre. Now, success has brought it to a more luxurious house, and though the cast is precisely the same they show a pleasant maturing in their parts. On second viewing, I see no reason to modify the words of praise nor emphasise the criticism. Mr. de Marney must cling fast to the fresh youthfulness in his performance, which broke through so refreshingly, and must not allow sureness and grasp to weaken this essential quality. I am not suggesting a declension in his performance, but merely forewarning. Selma Vaz Dias, Stanley Lathbury, Sophie Stewart, Douglas Burbidge and Walter Fitzgerald continue to give very satisfactory acting.

"Proscenium" at the "Q"

A very well produced version of Ivor Novello's popular West End success "Proscenium," has been given at the "Q" Theatre this week. In the leading rôle, which was originally taken by the author himself, William Freshman gives a pleasing performance, stressing rather the deep devotion of the young actor to his actress wife, and not suggesting quite that mixture of affection and pity which Mr. Novello brought out. Other members of the cast who did particularly well were Ambrosine Phillpotts, Dorothy Vernon and Braddon Mitchell. Next week there will be at this theatre a dramatic version of Louisa Alcott's "Little Women," with Dennis Roberts and that clever actress, Violet Loxley.

G. J.

"Madame X" in Yiddish

In the days when people went to the theatre hoping to be provided with "strong meat" there were few things that satisfied their craving more than "Madame X"—with its erring wife driven from home and sick child, in the first act; its "twenty years later" (absinthe, drugs and degradation), in the second; blackmail and murder in the third; and in the last act the great trial scene, with the grown son as advocate defending the murderess and not knowing that she is his mother.

The vogue for such fare has not passed as completely as some may imagine, for as recently as last week the audience at the Grand Palais where the Yiddish Folks-Theatre revived this drama with the rolled "r," were "eating it up," though a goodly proportion of them noticeably took the dish with more than the proverbial pinch of salt. Yet, however people may be divided to-day in the matter of taking melodrama seriously, the fighting speeches of attorneys for the defence are as universally applauded—in both film and stage trials—as ever; and Mr. Waldemar Haince, who in the part of young Raymond Fleuriot played his pleading scene up to the hilt, brought down the house on breathlessly resuming his seat. Miss Sara Sylvia did justice to the rôle of the wretched and mysterious madame, and among those who supported her were Miss Goldstein and Miss Chissick, and Messrs. Isaacovitch, Silberberg, Goldstein, Axelrod and Markovitch.

A. B. L.

Music

Courtauld-Sargent Concerts

FRITZ BUSCH CONDUCTS

It was a little difficult to get accustomed to Fritz Busch's violent methods of conducting at the Courtauld-Sargent concert at Queen's Hall on Monday evening, and until one had dissociated his methods somewhat from one's general receptive faculties, one did not settle down to real enjoyment. But then came the realisation that if his methods are a little exaggerated for the effect they produce, there is no denying that they do produce an effect, and, strangely enough, except for occasional moments, they produce an effect of clarity and steadiness of approach rather than of exaggeration and overemphasis. After a dashing performance of Berlioz's "Benvenuto Cellini" overture, Beethoven's jolly fourth symphony was given a performance which was so classically correct and unswervingly honest that one wondered why anyone should want to present it otherwise. Brahms' "Variations on a Theme by Haydn" do offer more scope for display, and that display came notably in the sixth variation, when Fritz Busch almost seemed to be taking a personal hand in the playing, so determined was he to make the orchestra march in approved military fashion. After it, the "Grazioso" movement sagged as though the players could not recover from the previous efforts. Three of Dvorak's "Slavonic Dances" closed the evening.

Ania Dorfmann

There are so many virtues in Ania Dorfmann's playing, as exemplified in her recital at Æolian Hall the other evening, that it is a pity just one or two bad defects should mar her work. She is a brilliant pianist, with a terrific dynamic urge in all she plays, but she is erratic, and, still worse, tends to be slapdash. She galloped away in "Aufschwung," the second of Schumann's

"Phantasiestücke," but could not quite manage the sustained singing quality of "Warum?" That is typical of her weaknesses as of her strength; any piece which calls for powerful, prestissimo treatment she can be relied on to carry through brilliantly, albeit with an occasional scamper. But an adagio or andante is "another pair of shoes." In the Chopin group, she was at her best in the three "Etudes," and, at times, in both the "Fantaisie" and the fourth "Ballade" she was a joy to listen to. Her piano tone is frequently as fine as one could wish, and in other ways she always seems to promise more than in actuality she fulfils. But a little rein on her exuberance and care in details as well as in the presentation of her musical conception as a whole would bring her to the top of her class.

Satisfactory Duet Singing

ROSE WALTER AND JENNY SONNENBERG

Duet singing is rarely so satisfactory as to make a recital worth listening to purely for the sake of the blend of voices, and apart from the chance of hearing vocal pieces not otherwise arranged. But Rose Walter and Jenny Sonnenberg, who gave a recital of duets and solos at the Wigmore Hall the other afternoon, do combine well enough to be worth listening to, and in groups of Purcell and Bach, and again in Brahms' "Klange" and "Weg der Liebe," they combined well enough to be rather more than just two voices trying to outsing each other. Neither voice is quite outstanding by itself (which is perhaps to the good for duets) and when listening to their solos, I found myself preferring Rose Walter if only for her stronger personality as expressed in her singing and more vigorous attack. Among the songs Rose Walter sang was a group of "Liebeslieder" with words from Jewish Folk Songs set to music by Wilhelm Grosz. The settings were very good, but they were modern German rather than traditional Jewish. That is said by no means as a disparagement, but merely as an indication that they are not "Jewish" in their general melodic line or in their harmonisation.

The Essentials of Quartet Playing

The Isolde Menges Quartet is one of the best quartet ensembles we have in England, judging by their performance the other evening at the Æolian Hall. They have the essentials of quartet playing—in their complementary tone, their synchronisation and, even more, their ability to make a quartet sound really interesting, instead of the deadly dreariness which so frequently passes for quartet performance. In the Mozart Sonata, perhaps, the virtues of the ensemble were not shown to the fullest advantage; but Mozart quartets are pure music, if such a thing ever did exist, and the very richest and fullest beauty of tone and subtlety of expression are required for their enjoyment. The Beethoven Op. 59 No. 2 did enable the quartet to show off extremely well, and the energy of the attack in the first and last movements was a real joy. The slow movement was taken a little too slowly for sustained playing, but it was a fault in the right direction. H.C.S.

Bach's Birthday

EARLY CELEBRATION BY PHILHARMONIC SOCIETY

Though the 250th anniversary of the birth of J. S. Bach does not fall till next March, the Royal Philharmonic Society commemorated the occasion with a special Bach concert at the Queen's Hall last week. This early enthusiasm promises well for the actual occasion. The programme chosen was a cheerful one, as befits the birthday of a man whose work has given happiness to countless thousands for more than 200 years—the second and third Brandenburgs, some songs sung by Elsie Suddaby, the Concerto in D Minor for three pianos and in A Minor for four, and a Suite. The performances were hearty and happy, rather than subtle and discriminating; yet there was plenty of clarity and precision and careful phrasing. The Suite was No. 5 of Sir Henry Wood's arrangements, which contains three movements from the organ concertos and sonatas, including a beautifully scored Andante. Sir Henry himself conducted.

F.G.S.

Symphony Concerts for Ninepence!

The Hyams Bros., the well-known cinema proprietors, have organised a scheme for the promotion of concerts of popular classical music by a Symphony Orchestra of eighty players, on Sundays at cinemas under their control. The first concert is arranged for January 13th at the Trocadero, Elephant and Castle, and the orchestra is to be known as the New Metropolitan Symphony Orchestra. Other theatres where concerts will be arranged later are: the Troxy, Stepney; Regal, Norwood; Regal, Edmonton; Trocette, Tower Bridge Road; and the Metropole, Victoria. The prices of admission will be 9d., 1s. 6d. and 2s. 6d., all seats being bookable.

Meyer Rosenstein is giving his first recital at the Wigmore Hall on Tuesday next at half-past eight. Mr. Rosenstein has been a pupil of Solomon for some years. His programme includes sonatas by Mozart and Beethoven, some Brahms, Debussy and Chopin, and the first performance of a Prelude (John Dowland's Fancy) by Havergal Brian.

Radio

FOREIGN

TO-DAY, December 14th

12 noon.—Radio Paris (1,648 metres): Jewish address organised by "The Voice of Israel."

SATURDAY, December 15th

6 p.m.—Warsaw (1,339 metres): Vocal Concert by Moise Kussewicki, Cantor of the Great Synagogue, Warsaw.

MONDAY, December 17th

9.45 p.m.—Luxembourg (1,304 metres): I. Blochman (pianoforte).

WEDNESDAY, December 19th

6.30 p.m.—Post-Parisien (312.8 metres): Jewish broadcast organised by "The Voice of Israel."

7.43 p.m.—Hilversum (301.6 metres): Harp recital by Rosa Spier.

THURSDAY, December 20th

3.40 p.m.—Vienna (506.8 metres): Dr. F. Rosenthal (pianoforte).

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"Glory Be"

THE PSYCHOLOGY OF REVIVALISM

If Llewellyn Williams, the principal character in Mr. Arnold Ridley's play which has been presented at the Arts Theatre Club, a revivalist Welsh coal-miner who carried his campaign into Somerset, was sincere, even within generous limits of the term, then religious emotionalism such as he played on is a good deal more involved in the seamy side of human nature than honest men can be expected to stomach. If, on the other hand, he was an out-and-out humbug, then in describing his dramatic conflict with a decent if not very intelligent young footballer whose girl the revivalist tried to seduce, Mr. Ridley has been compelled to drag concepts which are sacred to many down into the mean gutters of selfishness and hypocrisy. This is the difficulty about "Glory Be." In either case we are forced to realise that the plane of religious reaction of the ignorant admits of features repellant to more developed personalities, and just as a great phrase parodied can be broken in its glory, so principles once plastered with mud retain the odour of pollution.

We see Llewellyn a natural orator and spell-binder, also an unscrupulous seducer of women, dependent for the inspiration of his religious oratory upon sexual excitement and intoxication. It is, of course, a perfectly believable phenomenon, and probably more common than is generally thought. Mr. Ridley places his revivalist on the brink of disaster: public denunciation before his bemused followers. And then very credibly he is rescued by a most outrageous piece of planned lying. It is an interesting study of one aspect of revivalism, and the author's skilful dialogue holds the attention while his depicting of the character of Llewellyn is vigorous and convincing. He was a masterly creature, not unacquainted with fear yet in no sense a coward.

Harry Oscar, struggling with a Welsh accent, gave an impressive performance as the revivalist, and Cameron Hall did splendidly with some very natural cockney humour. As the footballer, John Boxer was suitably serious and rather irritatingly determined, while, as his nearly lost fiancée Isola Strong gave a restrained and beautiful piece of acting. Good work was also provided by Oliver Jonston as a cultured, broadminded Church of England clergyman and by Allan Rosè as another professional footballer; his Welsh accent was quite the most convincing; though Ena Moon, who gave a very vivid picture of the Revivalist's earlier victim, showed great care in the study of the dialect.

"Merrie England"

CHANGES IN THE CAST

With the arrival of the pantomime season, there have had to be changes in the cast of "Merrie England" at Princes Theatre, due to earlier contracts on the part of members, which are due to be fulfilled. These changes have brought Hélène Raye, a very clever young Jewish artist, to play the important rôle of Bessie Throckmorton, and we have accordingly a chance of appraising her very marked talents. Miss Raye, whose portrait is reproduced here, has an uncommonly fine voice and knows how to use it. In texture it is rich and smooth and her technique has the easy accuracy which makes her singing sound effortless. Her number, "She had a letter from her love," well deserves the applause it is receiving. "Merrie England," with its beautiful luxury of costume and setting, is sure to be one of the best appreciated shows of the holiday season, for it is entertainment for all ages, thanks principally to the lavish production and Edward German's charming music.

"Young England" Moves On

After an amazingly successful run at the Victoria Palace, Mr. Walter Reynolds' astonishing melodrama, "Young England," has moved on to the Kingsway Theatre, where this extraordinary specimen of unintentional funniness is likely to enjoy a further spell of popularity.

To relish the show to the full one must be in a mischievously humorous mood and the audience must include a fair sprinkling of cockney wits so that when the villainous Jabez Hawk, J.P., announces that the Duchess of Troisent is compelled to sell her country house and contents, the priceless flavour of a phrase such as "the hall and all" shall not go unappreciated, or the disconcerting announcement by a slim pale heroine, "done wrong" by a scheming traitor, that she is "going to have a baby any minute," shall arouse the hilarity it deserves. Personally I laughed till I was limp, and am still filled with admiration of the facial control of the large cast, which never once broke into an unappropriate smile. Such a monument of innocence as "Young England" is beyond all compare with studied burlesque. Even in the corridor of the theatre after the play, the audience was still in giggles—and of how many intentionally funny shows can that be recorded?

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"Pippa Passes"

A GALLANT EXPERIMENT

Convinced that Browning's "Pippa Passes" is a drama in verse rather than a dramatic poem, Miss Eve Acton-Bond and her company boldly put their conviction to the test and produced the work on the stage of the Fortune Theatre. The experiment proved, to my mind, that their belief was ill-founded. All the same, it was an interesting test. It showed, among other things, that Browning may have been master of monologue and a genius at constructing a short story, but a failure in dialogue and drama. His language speaks badly while reading so well.

In construction, of course, "Pippa" is intensely awkward. It is based on the idea that the voice of Pippa, an innocent factory girl in nineteenth century Italy, singing on her one day of holiday, reaches the ears of a series of persons at climacteric periods of their lives and calls them to virtue at the very point when they are about to compact with the Devil. All of the little dramas, with the exception perhaps of that in which the Bishop is being tempted to villainy by a murderous intendant, are highly artificial. Jo Acton-Bond spoke Pippa's lines with a charming innocence, though Browning's involved thought came strangely from her lips, and the music of her song was more calculated to draw a bucket of water on herself than to snatch a brand from the burning. Richard Goolden made brilliant work of Bluphocks. Dorothy Black and George Skillan gave the murderous lovers' scene in heavy melodrama, though the latter, together with A. Acton-Bond, played excellently in the Bishop's temptation. The play was followed by Sierra's lovely "Holy Night," in which both staging and acting were excellent and the performance particularly of the younger members of the cast a joy to watch.

Young Mr. Disraeli

MOVES TO THE PICCADILLY

Less than a month ago I had the opportunity of discussing Elswyth Thane's "Young Mr. Disraeli," when it was first put on at the Kingsway Theatre. Now, success has brought it to a more luxurious house, and though the cast is precisely the same they show a pleasant maturing in their parts. On second viewing, I see no reason to modify the words of praise nor emphasise the criticism. Mr. de Marney must cling fast to the fresh youthfulness in his performance, which broke through so refreshingly, and must not allow sureness and grasp to weaken this essential quality. I am not suggesting a declension in his performance, but merely forewarning. Selma Vaz Dias, Stanley Lathbury, Sophie Stewart, Douglas Burbidge and Walter Fitzgerald continue to give very satisfactory acting.

"Proscenium" at the "Q"

A very well produced version of Ivor Novello's popular West End success "Proscenium," has been given at the "Q" Theatre this week. In the leading rôle, which was originally taken by the author himself, William Freshman gives a pleasing performance, stressing rather the deep devotion of the young actor to his actress wife, and not suggesting quite that mixture of affection and pity which Mr. Novello brought out. Other members of the cast who did particularly well were Ambrosine Phillpotts, Dorothy Vernon and Braddon Mitchell. Next week there will be at this theatre a dramatic version of Louisa Alcott's "Little Women," with Dennis Roberts and that clever actress, Violet Loxley. G. J.

"Madame X" in Yiddish

In the days when people went to the theatre hoping to be provided with "strong meat" there were few things that satisfied their craving more than "Madame X"—with its erring wife driven from home and sick child, in the first act; its "twenty years later" (absinthe, drugs and degradation), in the second; blackmail and murder in the third; and in the last act the great trial scene, with the grown son as advocate defending the murderess and not knowing that she is his mother.

The vogue for such fare has not passed as completely as some may imagine, for as recently as last week the audience at the Grand Palais where the Yiddish Folks-Theatre revived this drama with the rolled "r," were "eating it up," though a goodly proportion of them noticeably took the dish with more than the proverbial pinch of salt. Yet, however people may be divided to-day in the matter of taking melodrama seriously, the fighting speeches of attorneys for the defence are as universally applauded—in both film and stage trials—as ever; and Mr. Waldemar Haince, who in the part of young Raymond Fleuriot played his pleading scene up to the hilt, brought down the house on breathlessly resuming his seat. Miss Sara Sylvia did justice to the rôle of the wretched and mysterious madame, and among those who supported her were Miss Goldstein and Miss Chissick, and Messrs. Isaacovitch, Silberberg, Goldstein, Axelrod and Markovitch. A. B. L.

Music

Courtauld-Sargent Concerts

FRITZ BUSCH CONDUCTS

It was a little difficult to get accustomed to Fritz Busch's violent methods of conducting at the Courtauld-Sargent concert at Queen's Hall on Monday evening, and until one had dissociated his methods somewhat from one's general receptive faculties, one did not settle down to real enjoyment. But then came the realisation that if his methods are a little exaggerated for the effect they produce, there is no denying that they do produce an effect, and, strangely enough, except for occasional moments, they produce an effect of clarity and steadiness of approach rather than of exaggeration and over-emphasis. After a dashing performance of Berlioz's "Benvenuto Cellini" overture, Beethoven's jolly fourth symphony was given a performance which was so classically correct and unswervingly honest that one wondered why anyone should want to present it otherwise. Brahms' "Variations on a Theme by Haydn" do offer more scope for display, and that display came notably in the sixth variation, when Fritz Busch almost seemed to be taking a personal hand in the playing, so determined was he to make the orchestra march in approved military fashion. After it, the "Grazioso" movement sagged as though the players could not recover from the previous efforts. Three of Dvorak's "Slavonic Dances" closed the evening.

Ania Dorfmann

There are so many virtues in Ania Dorfmann's playing, as exemplified in her recital at Æolian Hall the other evening, that it is a pity just one or two bad defects should mar her work. She is a brilliant pianist, with a terrific dynamic urge in all she plays, but she is erratic, and, still worse, tends to be slapdash. She galloped away in "Aufschwung," the second of Schumann's

"Phantasiestücke," but could not quite manage the sustained singing quality of "Warum?" That is typical of her weaknesses as of her strength; any piece which calls for powerful, prestissimo treatment she can be relied on to carry through brilliantly, albeit with an occasional scamper. But an adagio or andante is "another pair of shoes." In the Chopin group, she was at her best in the three "Etudes," and, at times, in both the "Fantaisie" and the fourth "Ballade" she was a joy to listen to. Her piano tone is frequently as fine as one could wish, and in other ways she always seems to promise more than in actuality she fulfils. But a little rein on her exuberance and care in details as well as in the presentation of her musical conception as a whole would bring her to the top of her class.

Satisfactory Duet Singing

ROSE WALTER AND JENNY SONNENBERG

Duet singing is rarely so satisfactory as to make a recital worth listening to purely for the sake of the blend of voices, and apart from the chance of hearing vocal pieces not otherwise arranged. But Rose Walter and Jenny Sonnenberg, who gave a recital of duets and solos at the Wigmore Hall the other afternoon, do combine well enough to be worth listening to, and in groups of Purcell and Bach, and again in Brahms' "Klange" and "Weg der Liebe," they combined well enough to be rather more than just two voices trying to outsing each other. Neither voice is quite outstanding by itself (which is perhaps to the good for duets) and when listening to their solos, I found myself preferring Rose Walter if only for her stronger personality as expressed in her singing and more vigorous attack. Among the songs Rosé Walter sang was a group of "Liebeslieder" with words from Jewish Folk Songs set to music by Wilhelm Grosz. The settings were very good, but they were modern German rather than traditional Jewish. That is said by no means as a disparagement, but merely as an indication that they are not "Jewish" in their general melodic line or in their harmonisation.

The Essentials of Quartet Playing

The Isolde Menges Quartet is one of the best quartet ensembles we have in England, judging by their performance the other evening at the Æolian Hall. They have the essentials of quartet playing—in their complementary tone, their synchronisation and, even more, their ability to make a quartet sound really interesting, instead of the deadly dreariness which so frequently passes for quartet performance. In the Mozart Sonata, perhaps, the virtues of the ensemble were not shown to the fullest advantage; but Mozart quartets are pure music, if such a thing ever did exist, and the very richest and fullest beauty of tone and subtlety of expression are required for their enjoyment. The Beethoven Op. 59 No. 2 did enable the quartet to show off extremely well, and the energy of the attack in the first and last movements was a real joy. The slow movement was taken a little too slowly for sustained playing, but it was a fault in the right direction. H.C.S.

Bach's Birthday

EARLY CELEBRATION BY PHILHARMONIC SOCIETY

Though the 250th anniversary of the birth of J. S. Bach does not fall till next March, the Royal Philharmonic Society commemorated the occasion with a special Bach concert at the Queen's Hall last week. This early enthusiasm promises well for the actual occasion. The programme chosen was a cheerful one, as befits the birthday of a man whose work has given happiness to countless thousands for more than 200 years—the second and third Brandenburgs, some songs sung by Elsie Suddaby, the Concerto in D Minor for three pianos and in A Minor for four, and a Suite. The performances were hearty and happy, rather than subtle and discriminating; yet there was plenty of clarity and precision and careful phrasing. The Suite was No. 5 of Sir Henry Wood's arrangements, which contains three movements from the organ concertos and sonatas, including a beautifully scored Andante. Sir Henry himself conducted.

F.G.S.

Symphony Concerts for Ninepence!

The Hyams Bros., the well-known cinema proprietors, have organised a scheme for the promotion of concerts of popular classical music by a Symphony Orchestra of eighty players, on Sundays at cinemas under their control. The first concert is arranged for January 13th at the Trocadero, Elephant and Castle, and the orchestra is to be known as the New Metropolitan Symphony Orchestra. Other theatres where concerts will be arranged later are: the Troxy, Stepney; Regal, Norwood; Regal, Edmonton; Trocette, Tower Bridge Road; and the Metropole, Victoria. The prices of admission will be 9d., 1s. 6d. and 2s. 6d., all seats being bookable.

Meyer Rosenstein is giving his first recital at the Wigmore Hall on Tuesday next at half-past eight. Mr. Rosenstein has been a pupil of Solomon for some years. His programme includes sonatas by Mozart and Beethoven, some Brahms, Debussy and Chopin, and the first performance of a Prelude (John Dowland's Fancy) by Havergal Brian.

Radio

FOREIGN

TO-DAY, December 14th

12 noon.—Radio Paris (1,648 metres): Jewish address organised by "The Voice of Israel."

SATURDAY, December 15th

6 p.m.—Warsaw (1,339 metres): Vocal Concert by Moise Kussewicki, Cantor of the Great Synagogue, Warsaw.

MONDAY, December 17th

9.45 p.m.—Luxembourg (1,304 metres): I. Blochman (pianoforte).

WEDNESDAY, December 19th

6.30 p.m.—Post-Parisien (312.8 metres): Jewish broadcast organised by "The Voice of Israel."

7.43 p.m.—Hilversum (301.6 metres): Harp recital by Rosa Spier.

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BRITISH

Cantor Behrmann, of the New Central Synagogue, Glasgow, is no stranger to Jewish radio listeners, and is again sending out a recital of Jewish sacred songs and Yiddish folk-songs on December 20th from Leeds (North Regional Programme). He will be assisted by Miss Jane Marcus (violin) and Mrs. Doris Berenblum (pianoforte). Only music by Jewish composers will be played. Cantor Behrmann showed promise very early, and his solos were a feature at the Great Synagogue at Amsterdam, where he sang in the choir. He studied under the late Professor Joseph Tyssen, of Holland, and Dr. Rosanofski, of Berlin. Cantor Behrmann is to-day one of the best known Chazanim, and is particularly well known in Glasgow musical circles.

CANTOR BEHRMANN.

SUNDAY, December 16th

North Regional (449.1 metres): The Week's Good Cause: Mr. Neville Laski, on the Jewish Hospital, Manchester.

[By courtesy of the B.B.C. and WORLD RADIO].

Cinema

Next Week's Premieres

"WHAT EVERY WOMAN KNOWS"—Empire, Leicester Square. ("A" Certificate)

Hollywood has sent us a quite creditable version of Barrie's canny Scots comedy. There is occasionally over-insistence, with the aid of "Loch Lomond" and "Scotch" mists, on the locale, but the atmosphere and the dialect are admirably sustained in the main. The delightful plot remains unchanged in its essentials, but greatly amended in detail, and it is impossible to say that there is any resultant improvement. Indeed Sir James's theme could probably have been brought out much more neatly with the use of his own incidents. Only a very few of his nicest points, however, have been missed in Gregory la Cava's direction, which Irving Thalberg has produced admirably in a manner not too far removed from genuine Barrie. Helen Hayes is a conscientious and wholly satisfactory Maggie, a winning piece of comedy by this splendid actress. Brian Aherne is adroitly cast as John Shand, though we necessarily miss his smile; and Madge Evans has a gallant shot as Sir James's willowy society girl. Lucille Watson is excellent as the Comtesse with Dudley Digges (a grand comedian), Donald Crisp and David Torrence very effectively comprising Maggie's embarrassingly attentive and adoring family. Incidentally Sir James does not tell us what happens to them at home when they have achieved their hearts' desire of wedding Maggie. Or is the belated marriage of brother James the clue?

"CHARLIE CHAN IN LONDON"—Capitol ("A" Certificate)

The Chinese detective popularised on the screen by Warner Oland is here brought to England, not exactly to London, since most of the action centres round a hunt house party set in a somewhat vasty country home. Provided with a fund of pseudo Chinese philosophy, plus a reasonably accurate and thoroughly well produced atmospheric background, and a suitable mystery to solve, Mr. Oland wanders amiably and expertly through the picture. His, or the "humble" Mr. Chan's, greatest enemy is time, for the heroine's brother is to die in two days for a crime of which he is innocent, unless the worthy Chan can in that time unveil the real murderer. The end is, inevitably, triumph, the crime finally being pinned, according to tradition, on one who has been but little, if at all, suspected, and the fact that we have been really interested in the proceedings is due more to the excellence of Eugene Ford's direction than to the story which Philip McDonald has built around Earl Derr Biggers' creation, Charlie Chan. There is a completely adequate supporting cast.

"Million Dollar Ransom" is also in the programme.

"LES MISERABLES."—Academy, Oxford Street.

Surely this cannot be in any sense a worthy production of Victor Hugo's celebrated story. To one, at least, who has not read the work, the film is a baldly stated version of a tale which is sentimental and romantic, weak in theme and deficient in motive and detail. It should be mentioned, however, that this is only the first part of the complete production and necessarily something in the nature of a prologue. In what is virtually a triple rôle, Harry Baur contributes some extremely effective acting, firstly as Jean Valjean the brutalised ex-convict of the opening scenes, then as M. Madeleine the respected, revered Mayor he miraculously becomes (we are not shown how), following his redemption by the saintly Bishop, and also as Champmathieu his simple peasant double whom he so heroically and spectacularly rescues from imprisonment in his own discarded name.

"TRANSATLANTIC MERRY-GO-ROUND."—Leicester Square Theatre.

This film continues its run and is doing good business. It is rather unusual in construction, as most of the film is a sort of "flash-back." Actually it begins at just before the end of the story with a murder on a liner, and then further complicates it by going back to the events preceding the sailing of the ship. Although the trick seems unnecessary it is well handled and gives a murder mystery at the beginning that would otherwise not have occurred until the end. Meantime, we were entertained by the "most

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CINEMAS. (Continued).

LIDO, Golders Grn. Speedwell 6161. Mon., Dec. 17th, for 7 days (Sun incl.).
"NO GREATER GLORY" (U)
"THE GREAT FLIRTATION" (A)

LONDON PAVILION. (Ger. 2982). Cont. from 10 a.m. Suns. 6—11. Alexandre Dumas' classic, ***"THE COUNT OF MONTE CRISTO."***

MAIDA VALE, Pic. Hse. Mon.-Wed.: ***"She Learned About Sailors"*** (U), ***"Green Eyes"*** (A). Th.-Sat.: ***"Death on the Diamond"*** (A), etc.

MARBLE ARCH PAVILION. Mayfair 5112. Weekdays: Con. 12.30—11. Doors open 5 p.m. Comm. Sun., Dec. 16th. JACK HULBERT in ***"THE CAMELS ARE COMING"*** (U), with Anna Lee. Also Virginia Bruce, Colin Clive in ***"JANE EYRE"*** (A). News, etc.

NEW GALLERY, Regent St., W. Reg. 2255. Weekdays: Con. 12—11. Sun.: Doors open 5 p.m. Leslie Banks, Peter Lorre, Edna Best in ***"THE MAN WHO KNEW TOO MUCH"*** (A). Also Chas. Ruggles, Ann Dvorak in ***"Friends of Mr. Sweeney"*** (A). Col. Cartoon ("Party Town Wedding") (U).

NEW VICTORIA. Vic. 2544. Weekdays: 12—11. Sun., Doors 5 p.m. 2,000 seats 1/- (12—1). Comm.; Sun., Dec. 16th: James Cagney, Pat O'Brien, Gloria Stuart in ***"HERE COMES THE NAVY"*** (U). Also Conrad Veidt in ***"Bella Donna"*** (A). Stage (Weekdays): 20 Master Singers in "Highland Revels."

PLAZA, Piccadilly. Retained Until Mon., Dec. 17. Francis LEDERER, Joan BENNETT in ***"THE PURSUIT OF HAPPINESS"*** (A), with Chas. Ruggles, Mary Boland. Also Zasu Pitts, ***"Afterwards"*** (A). Stage: Carlyle Cousins, etc. 1/6, 10.15—1. Sat., 10.15—12.30. Sun., 6, 8.30. Whi. 8944. Tues., Dec. 18th: ***"COLLEGE RHYTHM"*** and ***"SOUL OF A NATION."***

REGAL, Marble Arch. Pad. 9911. ***"The Dragon Murder Case"*** (A), Warren William, Margaret Lindsay. ***"Kansas City Princess"*** (A), Joan Blondell.

REGENT, Stamford Hill. Week of Dec. 17th. Lew Ayres in ***"She Learned About Sailors"*** (U). Shirley Grey in ***"Green Eyes"*** (A). Stage: Variety.

RIVOLI, Whitechapel. Next wk. Alice Faye in ***"SHE LEARNED ABOUT SAILORS"*** (U). Shirley Grey in ***"Green Eyes"*** (A). S. Symph. News, etc.

SAVOY, WESTWAY. She. 4591/2. Car Pk. Stn. E. Acton (Und.). ***"No Greater Glory," "Something Always Happens."*** Stage: Eddie Windsor.

TIVOLI, Strand. Temple Bar 5625. Sun., Doors: 5 p.m. Wkdys: 12—11. 1,600 seats 1/6 (12—1). Premiere Presentation of GEORGE ARLISS in ***"THE IRON DUKE"*** (U). Also Col. Silly Symph.: "Night Before Christmas" (U). Gaumont-British News, etc.

DANCES, Etc.

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CINEMA—(*Continued from page 44.*)

spectacular amusements ever provided by a shipping company" and they certainly were spectacular—Busby Berkeley may open his eyes wide when he sees it. This particular ship seems to have collected a specially bad bunch of crooks who, fortunately, spend most of their time trying to cheat each other. There is also on board, equally fortunately, a very clever detective who affirms many times that he is "on holiday." One must congratulate America's police upon arranging their vacations so suitably. Our old friend Sydney Howard has a very ungrateful part as a permanent "drunk," but for at least one of the audience he was the funniest feature in the picture—not excluding Mitzi Green's well-known "Arliss" turn. The cast also include Jack Benny, Nancy Carroll, Gene Raymond, Sid Silver, in a beautiful piece of crookery, and Robert Elliot.

The Rialto's New Season

Eric Hakim, late of the Academy Cinema, is inaugurating a new series of films at the Rialto. The first is a French film entitled "Jeanne" by Georges Marret, the main interest of which is as a vehicle for the actress, Gaby Morlay. It is hoped to follow this on Monday with a British war picture called "Forgotten Men," which is now before the Board of Censors. This film has been made from actual war photographs by Norman Leigh. It has a spoken introduction by General Sir Ian Hamilton and a commentary by Sir John Hammerton, the historian.

Films continuing include "One Night of Love" (Carlton); "The Man Who Knew Too Much" (New Gallery); "The Iron Duke" (Tivoli); "The Count of Monte Cristo" (London Pavilion); "The Dragon Murder Case" and "Kansas City Princess" (Regal, Marble Arch); and (until next Tuesday) "Pursuit of Happiness" (Plaza).

Exclusives

The latest James Cagney film "HERE COMES THE NAVY," goes to the NEW VICTORIA, with "BELLADONNA" also in the programme.

"HIDE OUT," with Robert Montgomery, is at the ASTORIA which also has "BELLADONNA."

The MARBLE ARCH PAVILION is showing "THE CAMELS ARE COMING" and "JANE EYRE."

General Releases

"NO GREATER GLORY"—Lido, Golders Green; Troxy, Stepney; Stoll Picture Theatre; Savoy, Valentine's Park; Savoy, Westway; and (Thur., Fri. and Sat.) Maida Vale Picture House. ("U" Certificate).

A foreword identifies this film as an anti-war propaganda but it can be such with equal force if we ascribe no realism to the story and regard the petty child's war as purely symbolic. Probably the greater significance attaches to a realistic view of the (to us) incredible state of affairs when two rival gangs of youths and mere children may model themselves on militaristic methods and go to war in such seriousness as to result, albeit somewhat accidentally, in the death of a weakly but enthusiastic combatant. The appeal of all this wearing of uniforms, holding of ranks, and carrying out of salutes, orders and missions—condoned and encouraged, it should be noted, by the children's parents—may well be the background and birthplace of those many types of domestic and semi-private militarism of which Nazism is the arch-type and which to-day so menace the peace of Europe. The film is devoid of stars; but the youngsters and adults have been cleverly cast and produced. Second features are "The Great Flirtation" (Lido); "Music Hall" (Savoy, Valentine's Park); "Lilies of the Field" (Stoll); "Something Always Happens" (Savoy, Westway); and "The Lost Jungle" (Troxy).

"SHE LEARNED ABOUT SAILORS"—Ambassador, Hendon; Dalston Picture House; Regent, Stamford Hill; Rivoli, Whitechapel; Hammersmith Gaumont Palace; and (Mon., Tues. and Wed.) Maida Vale Picture House. ("U" Certificate).

Lew Ayres, Alice Faye and that team of American Music Hall comics Mitchell and Durant, are all featured here. Lew Ayres is on an American Warship in Chinese waters and falls in love with Alice Faye, but Ayres decides that he doesn't make enough money to support a wife, and when his ship leaves writes her to this effect. Lew Ayres' two friends Mitchell and Durant, destroy this letter and substitute another of their own in which they tell the girl to come to America for the wedding. She does so, but before she actually meets Ayres she overhears him say that he met a girl he liked in the Orient but that it is all over. Mitchell and Durant finally frame the two lovers into marriage.

"GREEN EYES"—Ambassador, Hendon; Dalston Picture House; Regent, Stamford Hill; Rivoli, Whitechapel; Hammersmith Gaumont Palace; and (Mon., Tues. and Wed.) Maida Vale Picture House. ("A" Certificate)

An unusual murder mystery in which Shirley Grey and Charles Starrett are the stars. The green eyes of a Chinese mask play an important part in the solution of the mystery, but not before two deaths have occurred and a third has been narrowly averted. There is a somewhat surprising *dénouement* and the film-goer who "knows the murderer all the time" can pride himself on a clever piece of detective work. The supporting cast includes Claude Gillingwater, John Wray, William Bakewell and Alden Chase.

THE TROCADERO, Elephant and Castle, programme is "CRIME DOCTOR" and "HALF A SINNER."

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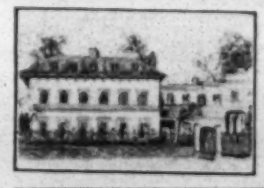

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The Wise Rabbi of Brody

BY AUNTIE

NOWADAYS if you want to send money a long way off you buy a postal order or you send a cheque, or you obtain a bankers' draft—there are lots of methods of doing it. But in days gone by, when communications were not as frequent or as speedy as they are now, when there were no regular posts and the banking system was still undeveloped, money had to be sent by travellers or couriers. Often the person sending the money had to wait until he was lucky enough to find someone going to just that particular place and he sometimes had to pay the traveller for his trouble in taking charge of the remittance. There was, of course, considerable risk in the matter; and we can be thankful that safer means of despatch have now been devised.

A HAPPY MEETING

This introduction is to lead up to a story which was told many years ago by E. M. Lilien, the famous Jewish artist, and it inspired him to produce one of his happiest drawings. I will tell the tale as I remember it.

In a little Galician town Reb Shmul met Reb Menasseh. "*Sholom Aleichem*," said Reb Shmul. "*Aleichem Sholom*," said Reb Menasseh. "Where are you going?" asked Reb Shmul. "Where should I be going?" said Reb Menasseh. "I'm going to Brody." Reb Shmul was delighted to hear this, as he wanted to send his wife fifty gulden. Reb Menasseh said he was quite willing to take charge of the fifty gulden, but he wanted half the money for his trouble.

AN IDEA

"Are you *meshuggah*?" asked Shmul excitedly. "I'll give you one gulden." Reb Menasseh said he must have half, or he wouldn't undertake the mission at all. Reb Shmul had a sudden inspiration.

"Very well," he said, "give Esther as much as you want."

This suited Reb Menasseh down to the ground, and he was already making up his mind that he would pocket much more than the twenty-five gulden he had originally demanded.

Reb Shmul wrote to Esther telling her that if she had any trouble with Menasseh about the money she was to go to the *Rav*.

JOURNEY'S END

Menasseh set out on his journey which took him three whole days. When he reached Brody, he sought out Esther and gave her the letter from her husband. She read it and then asked, "Where is the money?"

Menasseh laid down one gulden on the table.

Esther cried, "Robber! Thief! Cheat! Give me my fifty gulden!"

"Oh, no," retorted Reb Menasseh, "your husband said I was to give you as much as I wanted. Here it is in black and white." And he produced a slip of paper duly signed by Reb Shmul.

BEFORE THE RABBI

Esther put on her shawl and ran round to the Rabbi, who after hearing her complaint summoned Reb Menasseh to appear before him. He had the whole story related to him from beginning to end and he carefully examined the letter and the slip of paper.

"Well, how much is it you want?" he said finally to Reb Menasseh.

"I want forty-nine gulden," he replied.

"Good," said the Rabbi. "You are to give Esther as much as you want. You want forty-nine gulden, and that is the amount she must receive."

Menasseh spluttered and protested, but the Rabbi had given his judgment and Menasseh had to pay.

And to-day the Jews of Brody still extol the wisdom of Rabbi Isaac the Just.

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SYLVIA ARK, Leeds.—Why not write yourself to anyone suitable? If everybody waited till somebody else wrote, the Exchange would not be an Exchange at all! I am glad to hear about the prize and the reason for which it was awarded. Many thanks for your gift.

TESSIE CHADWICK, Manchester.—I hope you enjoyed the parties. I am grateful for your donation.

PAULINE T. COHEN, Stamford Hill.—You write very clearly and I am delighted to welcome you. It is nice of you to send me something for two of our Funds.

ROSALIND COHEN, Manchester.—I am glad you have followed the example of your friends and joined the League. It is pleasant to hear that you are "exceedingly interested" in our page.

ADA HYMAN, Sheffield.—I am pleased to hear you have obtained a correspondent. Would you ask Annie to write to Rosalind Cohen, 171, Cheetham Hill Road, Manchester 8. She is an old class-mate.

PERCY ISAACSON, Dublin.—You seem to be a very busy young man, but I have no doubt you get a lot of interest out of your many activities. I am glad to hear that, like so many more of my readers, you enjoy the Sonia series.

PHYLLIS JACOBS, Birmingham.—You must be proud to be attending the same school as your father and grandmother. I am pleased to hear about the prize. Many thanks for your gift.

LILIAN JOSEPHS, Hendon.—I know him quite well and am sure you must have been interested in his address. I trust you enjoyed the rally.

MARCUS KARDONSKY, Bethnal Green.—Your request shall be attended to. I have a big task before me, as it has proved so popular. You will have to remove those "domes of silence."

SONIA KRAMER, King William's Town, S.A.—I am glad to welcome a new South African niece and note that the introduction is to be on the instalment system. I am inserting your request.

ANNE LEVY, Stoke Newington.—I was amused by the nomenclature of your aquarium. Do they answer to their names? Many thanks for your gift.

MICHAEL LEVY, Stoke Newington.—I hope the party was a success. Many thanks for your donation.

CECILIA LINSKY, Nottingham.—I am very grateful to you for making the collection on behalf of our Special Fund and hope you will convey my best thanks to all who so kindly contributed.

JOEY LUSKIN, Cricklewood.—The Chanucah gift is greatly appreciated.

"M."—It is very kind of you to help. It is nice of you tell me that you "have long been an admirer" of my Chats.

"MARK, HAROLD and FREDDIE," Middlesbrough.—Many thanks for your gifts.

"NOG."—The donation is very welcome.

STELLA NERSTEIN, Glasgow.—You are quite correct. The *Pé-Nun* story has appeared before and was repeated at the special request of a reader interested in the "Hebrew without tears" idea. You seem to have a good memory!

RACHEL REZNIC, Haifa.—I am always pleased to welcome new nieces from Palestine and I am sure many of my readers will be glad to correspond with you. Tell me more about yourself when you next write.

RENEE ROBINSON, Manchester.—I am looking forward to hearing all about the wedding. I am glad you like the certificate and think it "lovely." Many thanks for your gift.

Mrs. M. ROTH, Marylebone.—I must have had the other one fixed in my mind and did not notice. It shall not occur again.

YENNY SNIDERS, Maida Vale.—As in *Yenton!* Many thanks for your memorial gift. I liked the Jumbo.

IRIS TUCKMAN, Clapton.—I don't think you read the rules very carefully. I am pleased to learn you found the certificate "beautiful."

Mrs. W. WEINER, Southsea.—I am sorry there is no trace of it. I should certainly have made a special note of it, had it been received.

MIRIAM WEINSTOCK, Golders Green.—I am interested to learn that you belong to the second generation of Young Israelites. I am glad you like my stories. Many thanks for your gift.

ALBERT MAYER YADID, Bagdad.—I am pleased to welcome you. Let me know if you obtain correspondents.

HERBERT ZUCKERMAN, New York.—I was much interested in your letter and appreciate your kind remarks about our page. I feel sure that you will realise your ambition of serving the Jewish Cause in your chosen vocation. Write again soon.

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FOR THE HUNGRY

The League is endeavouring to raise the sum of £15 15s. for a special "Young Israel" distribution at the Soup Kitchen for the Jewish Poor, which feeds the starving destitute. The help of all readers, young and old, is invited: Lily Appleson, 6d.; Pauline T. Cohen, 6d.; Phyllis Jacobs, 6d.; Collected by Cecilia Linsky from the pupils of the Nottingham Hebrew Classes: C. Linsky, 2s. 7d.; D. and P. Angel, 1s. 4d.; M. G. and S. Cooklin, 1s. 3d.; R. and R. Aronoff, 1s. 1d.; L. and B. Passow, 8d.; M. Leaf, 8d.; I. J. and D. Robins, 6d.; D. Conn, 6d.; J. Rosenberg, 6d.; Ex-pupil, 1s.; amounts under 6d., 1s. 5d. Total 11s. 6d.; Joey Luskin, Chanucah gift 2s.; "M.," 3s. 6d.; "Mark Harold and Freddie," 2s.; Renee Robinson, 6d.; Yenny Sniders, 2s.; Miriam Weinstock, 6d.

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Sylvia Ark, 39, Grange View, Chapeltown Road, Leeds, 7—14-16, living anywhere.

Rachel Reznic, House Jamil Habibi, Hadar Hacarmel, Haifa, Palestine—seniors interested in Palestine.

Albert M. Yadid, P.O. Box 73, Bagdad, Iraq—seniors interested in literature and stamps.

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